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HEAVY FIGHTING NEAR LINPI

Communists Gaining In Drive On Pengpu

THREAT TO YANGTSE

Nanking, November 27.

Fighting of unprecedented ferocity was today reported raging around Linpi, 35 miles above Pengpu, South East of the Tientsin-Pukow railway town of Suhsien, as Government forces battled desperately to stem the Communist advance.

Government air force planes, flying bombing missions from Hsuchow, also reported finding the Northward advancing Government columns locked in a bitter combat with strong Communist armies at points 60 miles South and 40 miles South West of Suhsien.

This came as an indirect admission that the Communist general, Chen Yi's forces in their Southward push from Suhsien had made substantial initial gains during the past 48 hours, when Government air operations on the Central China front were believed to have been seriously hampered by unfavourable weather conditions.

The severity of the fighting in Linpi is said to have resulted in an order being issued to Major-General Clair Chennault's Civil Air Transport pilots, who are flying food supplies into Hsuchow and wounded troops out to make a detour of the area to avoid possible Communist gunfire.

Pro-government despatches, reporting that the second phase of the Hsuchow battle was in full swing, said that Government troops between Suhsien and Linpi are deployed along an arc-shaped trap line, into which the advancing Communists are expected to fall.

Reports today also spoke of Communist infiltrations into the railway area between Nanking and Pengpu, were Reds, numbering over 10,000, were said to have been encircled by powerful Government units in the vicinity of Changpaling, about 45 miles North of Nanking which was the scene of the recent Communist attack on a passenger train.

As the centre of fighting shifted South below Suhsien, no operations of any scale were reported today in the area of Hsuchow, where at least three Government army groups are believed to be held in check within the tightening Communist steel ring.

No Confirmation

Official circles here were still without confirmation late today of the reports that a Nationalist column had launched a drive from Tsingtao, along the Tsingtao-Tsinan railway, with the evident aim of easing the Communist pressure in the Suhsien sector and had reached Kaohsien, about 20 miles North West of Tsingtao.

The strength of the Government troops taking part in the push is not mentioned in the reports which, however, expressed the belief that some divisions of the American-trained Taiwan troops were participating.

The reports also did not make clear whether the immediate objective of the drive is Tsinan where—according to arrivals in Shanghai from Communist-controlled Shantung's capital, quoted by the American-owned Shanghai Evening Post—the Red rulers are rigidly applying Communist doctrines regarding ownership of property and trade in dealings with the Chinese population.

The informants revealed that while foreigners in Tsinan are not being molested, although required to wear arm-bands to identify their nationalities and to attend lectures on Communism, Chinese residents have had to register their goods, including food, and to undergo an overall census check, during which inquiries were made into the background of each person.

Families which kept rice for flour stock had to turn all but three tou (about 17 pounds to one tou) of the cereal to the authorities, it was alleged.

A rationing system is introduced and those who have jobs were given three tou of rice per month. Women were not given ration unless gainfully employed in jobs, such as laundress, seamstress or member of the Communist comfort corps.

Arrivals were quoted as saying that although there were no attempts at present to confiscate property, regulation has been promulgated, providing for the exchange of dwellings among residents.

Turnabout

Tsinan residents who lived in large houses have been assigned to huts, while those in the city's shanty town areas were given the privilege of living in some of the best residences.

The Chinese in Tsinan have been classified into three groups. Property owners and merchants were made to wear a piece of black cloth and were required to receive an intensive course of indoctrination during their period in the assembly area.

Small merchants and traders must wear a piece of yellow cloth and they are allowed to get jobs and official rations. Labourers and farmers were given top rating, with a piece of red identification cloth.

Meanwhile, the British Chamber of Commerce in Hankow today denied the truth of the foreign refugees' story in Hong Kong, alleging that anti-foreign feeling was running high in Hankow and foreigners were being stoned and spat upon.

In a telegram to Reuter, the Chamber said that relations between Chinese and foreigners in Hankow are most friendly and correct.

The denial related to a statement made upon his arrival in Hong Kong by a foreign evacuee from Hankow, who said that among other things, foreigners in the Yangtse port were followed by crowds, teased, mocked and shoved off pavements.—Reuter.

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Reds 35 Miles From Nanking

Nanking, November 27.

Fast-moving Communists, commanded by the "One-eyed Dragon," General Liu Po-chen, were today reported to have surged to within 35 miles of Nanking, capital of President Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist Government.

The sudden Communist sweep Southwards punched another gap in the vital rail communications between Nanking and Hsuchow.

Pro-Government reports today said the main Communist target is Changpaling, rail town 35 miles North of Nanking. The situation there is said to be obscure. A few days earlier Communist demolition units dynamited a section of the track near Changpaling. — United Press.

LINPI CAPTURED?

Shanghai, November 27.

The Communist radio, heard here tonight, claimed the capture on Thursday of the important strategic town of Linpi, 40 miles east of Suhsien.

The Communists claimed that the entire Nationalist garrison was annihilated. The radio further claimed important successes in South East Shensi against the Nationalist army under General Hu Chung-nan.—Reuter.

Korean Reds To March Southward

Seoul, November 27.

The North Korean People's Army will start marching into South Korea on the very day the United Nations Assembly in Paris is concluded, provided the Soviet troops have finished their withdrawal from the North.

A former official of the North Korean puppet regime gave this warning today.

Chung San Chin, Vice-Minister of Agriculture in the Soviet-sponsored Government, wrote in a letter to the South Korean premier, Lee Bum Suk, that events were shaping toward an imminent invasion by the Communist Army. He did not say whether the presence of the United States forces in South Korea would affect the alleged invasion plan.

Return From China

Chung, who escaped to South Korea because he was dissatisfied with the new Northern Government, told Lee that 200,000 Communist troops, mostly Koreans, had returned to North Korea from the Manchurian Communist campaign and are taking the place of the withdrawing Soviet occupation troops.

Most of these seasoned troops are assembling around important areas in the North East corner of the Korean peninsula, he said.

Chung predicted that the Soviets actually will withdraw troops from the North because it will be advantageous for them. The withdrawal will win friendship among Koreans as proof that the Soviets have no ambitions in Korea and will free the Soviet government from technical responsibility in the event of the Korean Communists invading the South and seizing control of the entire country.

Chung told Premier Lee that top leaders of the North Korean Red Army were trained in Russia and high Soviet officers, dressed in civilian clothes, continue to work with them as an advisory group.—United Press.

SHARKS OFF STONECUTTERS

According to a report made to the "Sunday Herald" by Mr. Chambers of Stonecutters Island, two sharks were seen off the island yesterday.

Mr. Chambers said he was in a boat when he saw the sharks about 10 feet away.

Nationalists En Route To Threatened Fronts

Here are a few of the thousands of Nationalist reinforcements in and near Pukow, across the Yangtse from Nanking, who are trying to reach the Hsuchow battle zone. Transfer of the troops Northward was delayed by the fact that the Communists have cut the railway to the North.—AP Photo.

21 Killed In Lahore Air Crash

Lahore, November 26.

Sixteen passengers and a crew of five, including two Americans, were killed when a Pakistan Airways plane crashed today about 200 miles South West of Lahore.

The plane was on a flight from Karachi to Lahore.

The two Americans killed were Captain Glezer and Radio Officer Aphen.

A list of the passengers was not immediately available, but it was understood here that Mr. R. Butt, a Lahore industrialist, was on board.

The plane left Karachi at 8.00 a.m. local time and crashed three hours later.

The cause is not yet known. The aircraft belonged to PAK Airways, one of two Pakistan airlines operating internal services.

In 1945, before the division of the Indian sub-continent, Mr. Butt was a member of the Indian Government's Planning Panel. In that year he toured industrial plants studying technique.—Reuter.

Communists Storm Into Hainan Town For Short Stay

Canton, November 27.

Communists stormed into the county seat of Linkao in Northern Hainan Island but were driven out after a brief occupation of the town.

Chen Fu-cheng, county magistrate of Hainan, is reported missing and is feared dead.

Other Communist units threatening Yulin harbour in the Southern section of the island are reported to have retired. The Yulin Harbour garrison recently was strengthened.

The regulars and provincial troops are being reinforced to deal with expanding Communist forces. Four of the 16 counties—Paoting, Pasha, Lohtung and Kanen—have been overwhelmed by the Reds in the past several months.

Government detachments will attempt to dislodge them as soon as reinforcements and replacement are brought up.

The Legislative Yuan has marked Hainan Island as a separate province to be detached from Kwangtung, but so far no implementation has been taken by the Executive Yuan.

Several prominent Hainanese including Vice-Admiral Sir Andrew Chan Chak, former Mayor of Canton, have declined to be Governor of the new province owing to the precarious situation there.

In Fukien

One hundred Communists launched a surprise night attack on Rusf village, in the Changpu district near Amoy.

They carried off heavy loot and kidnapped the wife and two sons of the village chief, who paid a ransom of 50 piculs of rice for their release the next day.—Associated Press.

Foreign Ships For Yangtse?

Shanghai, November 27.

The new Prime Minister of China, Dr. Sun Fo, said here today that he favoured the reopening of the Yangtse River and other inland waterways to other Powers for the landing of cargoes from foreign ports and the loading of cargoes for foreign destinations.

Dr. Sun said he expects to complete the formation of his Cabinet shortly and is attempting to organise a Government which will be broadly representative of all classes in the nation except the Communists.—United Press.

The Weather

The intense anti-cyclone centred near Lake Baikal dominates the area.

Today's Forecast:—Fresh gusty, Northerly winds, strong in exposed places. Partly cloudy.

Yesterday's Weather:—

Maximum: 71.7 deg. Fah.
Minimum: 59.0 deg. Fah.
Sunshine: 7.0 hours.
Rainfall: NIL. Total since Jan. 1— 2462.6 mm.=96.95 ins. as against an average of 2108.4 mm.=83.01 ins.

	Readings at 10 a.m.	4 p.m.
Baro. at m.s.l.	1024.0	1021.3 m.b.
Equals	30.24	30.16 inches.
Rel. Humidity	70	63 %
Dew Point	54	55 deg. F.
Wind Direction	NNE	NNE
Wind Force	19	8 knots.

Allies To Tell The Nazi Story

Washington, November 27.

The State Department disclosed today that details of Nazi Germany's foreign relations will be published next year.

The story, which will be published in the English, German and French languages, will include the behind-the-scenes account of the annexation of Austria, the Czech crisis and Munich, and German participation in the Spanish civil war.

The first of the volumes, containing material gained from captured Nazi Government documents, will appear early next year.

Volume I will deal with German foreign policy from 1937 to the annexation of Austria, and Volume II will cover the period of the Czech crisis to Munich. These are expected to be out in February.

The third volume to appear next summer will cover German relations with Franco's forces during the Spanish civil war from 1936 to 1939.

The fourth and fifth volumes of the series will cover German foreign relations up to the outbreak of war in 1939, and will be published next autumn.

The French editions are being prepared separately from the French Government's own selection of captured German documents.

The British and American Governments are co-operating in the huge task of translation. Translations will be exchanged for separate publication in each country.

The United States will publish an edition of the volumes in German but this will not be available in Germany until some months after the English publication, which is expected to be delayed by printing difficulties.—Reuter.

HEAVY SNOWFALL

Rome, November 26.

Mountains roads in Calabria, in the toe of Italy, were blocked with heavy falls of snow today. Freezing weather was reported throughout the peninsula.

Weather experts attributed the cold snap to a mass of Arctic air from Russia which has passed over the Balkans to Italy. Icy winds brought the temperature in Rome to below freezing this morning.—Reuter.

Tokyo, November 27.

General Douglas MacArthur, Supreme Allied Commander in Japan, is not expected to announce the execution of Tojo and the six other Japanese leaders sentenced to death for war crimes until after the bodies of the condemned have been cremated.—Reuter.

Secrecy Shrouds Nature Of Shanghai Arrivals

A certain amount of secrecy as to the nature of her passengers seemed to shroud the ss. Shengking, which arrived here from Shanghai with about 250 passengers, including 30 Europeans.

Most of those interviewed by the "Sunday Herald" representative aboard the British steamer denied running away from North China and took exception to being labelled refugees or evacuees.

They insisted that their visit was purely on business or that they had booked their passage months before the so-called evacuation from Shanghai.

Some of the Chinese passengers, however, reluctantly admitted having left North China to seek refuge here, at least for the time being.

Mostly Shanghailanders, many passengers seemed to have brought along their entire belongings. One family alone had four porters to cart away several trunks, cloth bags and household paraphernalia, wrapped up by rope nets. A European passenger, beside struggling through the crowd with a huge bag, was holding high above peering heads a lamp shade.

Those who spoke of having had to leave the hungry Chinese metropolis because of financial circumstances were bitter in their opinion against the ruling circles.

They vehemently condemned those who hold the reigns of administration in Shanghai, who, they declared, were entirely responsible for the acute food crisis.

Buy Up Stocks

In constant and immediate communication with the city's commercial connections and foreign contacts, these ruling cliques, the informants stated, speculated at the expense of the public. The "get-rich-quick" minority bought up available stocks more for commercial motives than for personal usage, they said.

"That is why you find so little foodstuffs on the market," most of them moaned.

The well-known story of "no-money-no-food" and "exploitation" was echoed by the majority.

Before the lifting of price ceilings, they declared, Shanghai went hungry, resulting in frequent riotings and civil disorders which the law could hardly control.

After the administration had changed its mind and permitted a free market, meat, flour and several necessities suddenly flooded the shops, but all at fabulous prices.

"And who do you think bought up?" a student told the "Sunday Herald." "None but the wealthy few, who already have enough stocks for their families but who bought more apparently fearing future starvation."

Easy To Get

Recently, however, food was very easy to get, they stated.

"If you have friends working in places where foodstuffs are sold, and you have money then you needn't worry a bit," an informant said. "I suppose you must have heard from the newspapers about the prevailing numerous rackets in that city."

He declined to go into details regarding the rackets, saying "I'll leave it to your imagination."

A student from one of the universities in Shanghai, who said he was coming to Hong Kong because of family matters, declared that the attitude of students there towards the National Government is lukewarm.

Here and there one might find a few openly blaming the Chiang regime for mal-administration resulting in the present weakness of the Government, under-mined forces, he said.

Others fearing reprisals, keep their feelings to themselves though they take part in some democratic movements, which in the eyes of the administration are subversive, he declared.

Among the European passengers were Lady Kinlock and two children, Mrs. I. Howard, Mrs. B. R. E. Dalters and two children, Mrs. J. E. Peters and three children, Mrs. M. J. Slanning, Mrs. S. Steele, Mrs. Runals, Mr. and Mrs. G. Talbot and child, Miss Kinlock, Miss M. G. Guignard, Mr. R. J. Jaruszowski, Mr. A. J. Clark, and Mrs. W. M. Arnhold.

Before the arrival of the ss. Shengking yesterday at 3 p.m., the Customs Wharf, Connaught Road, Central, was already the scene of unprecedented activity, with the number of people arriving to greet relatives and friends, totalling nearly 300.

According to an official of the ss. Shengking, this was the largest number of passengers carried by the vessel in her two-year Hong Kong-Shanghai run. The ship also brought 400 tons of cargo, including oranges from Keelung and cotton piecegoods.

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Senator Malone Claims U.S. Being Pushed Around

U.S. Senator Leaves HK

"America has had more economic pushing around than any other major nation, and no-one ever speaks to us except to ask how much money we will give them".

This was a remark made by 58-year-old U.S. Senator, Mr. George W. Malone of Nevada during his one-day visit to Hong Kong. He is touring several countries as chairman of the United States National Resources Economic Committee.

Senator Malone is said to be the only practising engineer ever elected to the Senate. He has been one for more than 30 years and claims that is one reason for his "inquiring mind" which is now trying to find out why it is that America is being "pushed around".

His tour, which began early this month and should end in January, includes Saigon, Singapore, Japan, China, Manila, Batavia, Java, Bangkok, Spain, Portugal and Africa.

Also a member of the joint committee set up by the Senate and House to determine the Government of the Marianas and Marshall Islands, he has already visited these and has decided that what is needed there is as little government as possible, with retention of enough control to prevent the building of fortifications. "After the first world war, they were mandated to the Japanese who did that and we had to pull them out of their foxholes by the ears in the last war," he said.

Senator Malone said that the work of the Economic Committee included study of the factors affecting United States' production. These were import fees, tariffs, Empire preferential rates and the manipulation of currency systems in other countries.

Currency Manipulation

"Taken all round, it is quite a chore", he said. "Most countries manipulate their currency system. Britain has done this for generations and few people realise its effect on other countries.

"I'm very fond of the English, but it does not blind me to the fact that manipulation goes on and I only wish that some time my country will grow as smart as Britain. We have everything but her experience."

Senator Malone said that America's economic position at present was very bad. She was in debt for 255,000,000,000 dollars, which was nearly as much as the taxable value of the country. Production was very high and the national income was high, which meant that inflation was on its way.

Discussing the war in China, Senator Malone said that the British and Americans were following a diametrically opposite policy. The Americans did not like to see the Communists increasing in power and would soon have to decide what action to take. The British, however, had already accepted the position.

Senator Malone said he blamed England and America for the growing strength of Russia. About seven or eight million tons of steel annually were being sent to countries under the Marshall Plan and much of it, in the form of manufactured goods, was finding its way to Russia under trade treaties made last year.

Another Two Years

"We supplied Japan with scrap iron for five years before the war," he said. "We have been doing a similar thing with the Russians for a shorter time, so it will probably be another two years before they can put up a good fight".

Senator Malone said more American statesmen were now travelling and finding out conditions in other countries.

He believed more were beginning to share his views but would not yet say so openly.

About the recent elections, he said, "I think the Republicans consulted everybody but the folks—and I am a Republican".

Senator Malone (left), Chairman of the United States National Resources Economic Committee, is shown as he is about to leave the Colony by plane, together with Mrs. Malone. In the centre is Mr. J. G. O'Donnell, Manager of Pan-American Airways.—Sunday Herald Photo.

Man Takes Away Funds From Families

"This man has taken away the funds from three families—money which might have tided them over the period of unemployment. What can you say of such a man?" asked Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday when Yan Yue, aged 28, was charged on three counts of obtaining money by false pretences.

Before passing sentence of two months' hard labour on each count, the magistrate commented, "This is the type of man who might have caused the three families being brought before this court as destitutes."

Detective Sub-Inspector D. S. Roberts said that defendants and Lee Cheun, Yip Chip and Yan Wah were known to each other. On July 7, Lee went to defendant's unnumbered hut in Pak Tin village and whilst there was told by accused that a job could be got for him on payment of $100 tea money.

As only $50 was needed as deposit, with the other $50 payable when he starts work, Lee went home and consulted his wife. She took her gold ring and sold it for the necessary amount. Lee went back to defendant's hut and paid the money over to him.

After Yan had put him off several times, Lee got suspicious and reported to the police. Inquiries revealed that Yan was first employed at the Yick Fung factory (where he said there were vacancies) on August 28 and that he had no authority to employ anyone.

When Yip and Yan Wah heard of defendant's arrest they also reported to the police. Yip was swindled out of $40 and Yan Wah of $50 on the same promise of a job.

Defendant pleaded that he needed the money to purchase food and only borrowed it from the complainants.

Residents Donate To Services Recreation

Major-General F. R. G. Matthews has received on behalf of the three Services, a cheque for $106,000 which had been subscribed by a group of Chinese residents to assist in providing better recreational facilities for Officers and men of the three fighting Services in the Colony.

The Services have for some time been considering a scheme of re-grouping their playing fields on both sides of the harbour. Under this scheme, it is not only the Services who will benefit, but also civilians, as more playing fields should become available for their use.

The fact that official funds for the purpose in view were inadequate, became known to certain Chinese gentlemen, who thereupon opened among themselves a subscription list which has resulted in the handsome donation referred to above being presented through the General Officer Commanding, representing the Service Commanders.

In making the presentation, Lee Iu-cheung informed General Matthews that the money was intended to assist in the improvement of recreation ground facilities for the use of all Servicemen in the Colony.

Mr. Lee added that the donation was made with every good wish from the subscribers and was a token of their appreciation of what the Services have done for the Colony.

In thanking the donors for their generous contribution, General Matthews said how much this gesture would be appreciated by all Servicemen in Hong Kong.

The details of the scheme, which this handsome donation is designed to assist, have not yet been finally decided. It is hoped to issue a statement in some detail at a future date.

The names of the subscribers of this gift are as follows:—Messrs. Henry G. Leong, U Tat-chee, Tung Chung-wai, (on behalf of the Dao Heng Bank) Lo Min-nung, Li Koon-chun, Li Shiu-pang, Li Chok-chung, Li Chok-lai, Li Lan-sang, Li Tse-fong, Kan Tong-po, (on behalf of the Bank of East Asia Ltd.), Lee Iu-cheung, Leung Yew, L. P. Kwok, Wong Chi-po and S. W. Lee.

Mrs. Pears Found Guilty Of Charges

After a protracted hearing lasting more than four months, Mrs. Bertha Pears, of 1 Middle Road, was found guilty on 11 summonses in respect of overcharging rent and furniture, and fined a total of $725 by Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday.

Defendant, represented by Mr. Marcus da Silva, was further ordered to refund to the complainants, Lieutenant-Commander G. V. King and Mr. G. E. Coster, sums in excess of the determined rentals during the past six months.

Lt.-Cmdr. King's rent was fixed at $24 a month plus $20 for the furniture, and Mr. Coster's at $26 plus $20 for the furniture, as against $75 a week and $300 a month, respectively.

Mr. Silva gave notice that it was the defence's intention to apply for a Case Stated for the purpose of appealing against the judgment.

At yesterday afternoon's hearing, Mr. Silva successfully submitted that seven of the summonses should be dismissed as they were out of time, having been filed after the six-month period stipulated under the Magistrates Ordinance.

On the remaining summonses, defence counsel said that there was no evidence of what constituted standard rent in respect of the premises. The only evidence was that of Inspector Byron, of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, who stated that the rent was $140.

Mr. Silva further submitted that Inspector Byron and the court had no power to apportion the rent payable by the different tenants as, under Section 17B of the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance, that is the sole prerogative of the Tenancy Tribunal.

Not To Call Evidence

Defence counsel said that he did not intend to call evidence, but asked for the case to be decided on the issue which the court had jurisdiction to settle, and on which evidence on the relevant factors had been produced.

Mr. A. J. Clifford (instructed by Messrs. Hastings and Co.), for the complainants, said that the overcharge in any case was for overcharge on both rent and furniture. Evidence showed that money had been paid out as rent, and it could, therefore, be assumed that the whole overcharge was for rent.

He went on to apply for the eviction of the defendant as principal tenant, the return to his clients of all amounts paid in excess, and the apportionment of rent.

The complainants had made out a prima facie case by producing the receipts for rents paid. On those receipts, said counsel, only rent was stated. If defendant had intended it to include furniture, she would have stated so, as she did in respect of water, lights and so on.

Replying, Mr. Silva said that the evidence before the court was completely at variance to Mr. Clifford's submissions. There was evidence that Mrs. Pears' advertisements referred to furnished rooms, that the complainants went to 4 Knight Street to inspect those furnished rooms, and that the rentals were fixed on that basis.

On the court returning a finding of guilt on the 11 summonses, Mr. Silva, in mitigation, said that if the court experienced difficulty in interpreting the difference between what is and what is not a boarding house, how much more difficult it was for his client.

It was not a case of where the defendant had taken advantage of a sub-tenant's dire straits to force the rent on to him but a matter of mutual arrangements. Defendant's action in openly advertising furnished rooms proved that, if she was wrong, she was not committing a reprehensible offence but merely a technical one.

HONG KONG WAR MEMORIAL FUND

Public subscriptions to the Hong Kong War Memorial Fund received between November 20 and November 26:

The Kowloon Bowling Green Club	12.00
Previously received	$3,757,852.36
	$3,757,864.36

Mohammedan Wedding

A wedding, according to Mohammedan rites was solemnised last night with Maulvi Cheung officiating. The contracting parties were Miss Rubia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nimutullah, and Mr. Ackber M. Omar, the youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Mohomed Omar.

The bridegroom comes from a well known and popular Indian sporting family and has figured very prominently in local bowls and cricket. He was attended by his two nephews, Benny and Olly Omar as best men, while the Bride was attended by here sister, Miss. S. Nimutullah.

At a reception held in the evening at No. 4, Fung Wong Terrace, attended by relatives and some close friends, the health of the groom and bride was proposed by the groom's one time colleague, Mr. Fuare.

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The wedding of Mr. Bourne Frank, Army Corporal, and Miss Esther Augusta Xavier, of 8 Hillwood Road, took place yesterday at the Supreme Court Marriage Register's office in the presence of Mr. W. T. Bramhall and Miss E. Crestijo.

MARRIAGE CEREMONY

The civil marriage ceremony of Mr. Arnold Hall, businessman of 7 Somerset Road, Kowloon Tong, and Miss Margaret Lee, took place yesterday at the Supreme Court Marriage Register's office.

Witnesses were C. C. Kjellin and C. Riber.

Mr. Hall and Miss Lee had been married by church rites in Shanghai prior to their arrival in Hong Kong.

BBC INVITATION

The circular issued by the Education Department and referred to in the "China Mail" of November 27, was sent out as a reminder of the notice which appeared in the "Sunday Herald" of November 14. Heads of Schools were informed that the date of closing had been extended from the November 24 to November 26.

It is difficult to understand how this extension should have seriously affected the quality of the entries.

A remand of two days was granted by Mr. F. X. d'Almada when Chan Man, aged 19, came before him yesterday—charged with larceny of six lengths of iron bars from the compound of Jardine, Matheson and Company.

The bars were valued at $30.

Reminders

Today

Annual Masonic Service of the Scottish Constitution at English Methodist Church, Wanchai, 6.30 p.m.

HK Union Church St. Andrew's Day Service and Parade for No. 2 Scottish Company HKVDC at Helena May Institute 10.30 a.m.

Memorial Service at Stanley Cemetery, 3 p.m.

All day American Tennis Tournament, Kowloon Cricket Club, from 10 a.m.

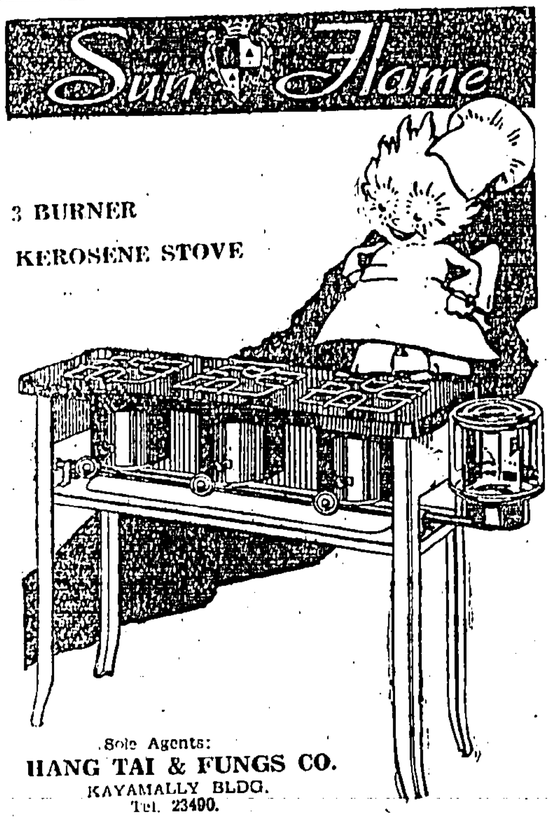
Toc-H Classical Concert, 50 Macdonnell Road, 8.45 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

HK Light Orchestral Rehearsal, 271 Robinson Road, 6 p.m.

Sun Flame



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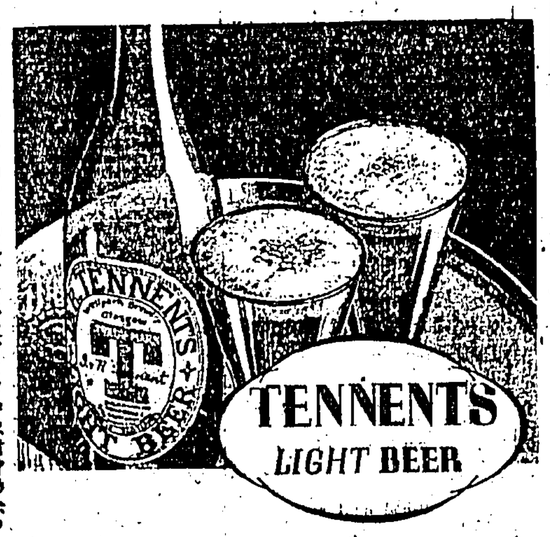

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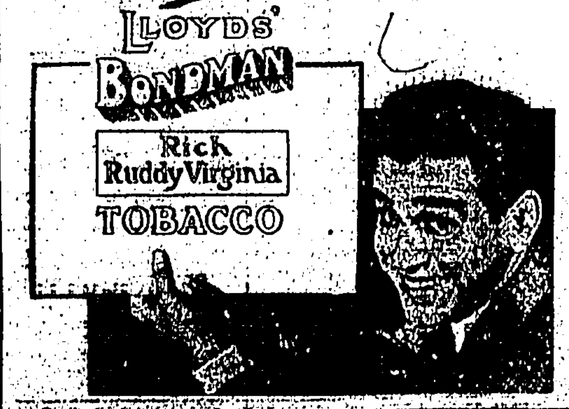

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KOWLOON ELECTRICITY RATES TO BE REDUCED

A reduction in electricity rates in Kowloon from 40 cents to 37 cents a unit for lighting, and from 18 cents to 16 cents for power, from January 1, 1949, was announced at the 26th annual general meeting of the China Light & Power Co., Ltd., yesterday.

The announcement was made by Mr. Albert Raymond who presided at the meeting, after he had told shareholders that the Company had made a net profit of HK$4,109,999 for the year ended September 30, 1948.

Reviewing the year's working, Mr. Albert Raymond said that the Company's rehabilitation and expansion programmes had proceeded smoothly.

The power station had seen further all-round coloration. The No. 8 turbine was now on load and functioning efficiently. No. 13 boiler would be ready in September next year. When No. 8 turbine and No. 13 boiler were in commission the station capacity as regards turbines would be increased from 30,500 KW to 50,000 KW, and boiler capacity from 460,000 lbs. an hour to 660,000 lbs.

Referring to the Company's policy of conversion to oil firing, Mr. Raymond said the new boiler was equipped for oil burning and Nos. 7 and 8 boilers, which were installed in 1924, were already converted and functioning satisfactorily. The conversion was effected with locally manufactured equipment.

Coal purchases during the year had been negligible due to conversion of the Company's plant to oil firing.

Great Strain

Growth of demand had placed a great strain on the Distribution Department. Improvements in the distribution system had been considerable.

"With the advent of the new cotton spinning factories and the establishment of various other new factories, our plans to meet the Company's obligations as envisaged before the war have had to undergo considerable revision," said Mr. Raymond, who added that this had entailed a great deal of forethought and planning.

Consequent on this re-planning a new sub-station was being built at To Kwa Wan to deal with the heavy industrial load in that area, and a second sub-station would be built very shortly at the corner of Prince Edward Road and Sa Yee Street to cope with additional load anticipated due to the large housing schemes which were proceeding.

Plans for a new sub-station building at Kau Pui Shek had also been prepared.

The present distribution expansion programme would take approximately 12 to 18 months to complete.

An improvement in the meter department during the year had resulted in losses from theft of current being reduced.

Street Lighting

A considerable amount of work had been done in being street lighting up to a satisfactory standard, and it was hoped that all the main streets in Kowloon would shortly be adequately illuminated.

Buildings for new stores, covering 73,100 square feet, were half completed. These would replace buildings destroyed during the war.

Dealing with the Company's working results, Mr. Raymond said the net profit was about the same as that of last year though sales had increased quantitively by 67.36 per cent over the previous year.

The increase in the net profit which would have accrued to the Company had been absorbed by the reductions in rates effected during the year.

"The interests of the consumers have always received the first consideration" said Mr. Raymond, who added that between May, 1947 and January 1948, a period of eight months, the Company had reduced rates for lighting from 71.28 cents to 40 cents, and for power from 27.72 to 18 cents, with appropriate reductions in bulk rates contracts in the New Territories. Meter rents had been reduced by 50 per cent.

Factors determining the Company's tariff rates were constantly reviewed, said Mr. Raymond.

Occupation Losses

Dealing with losses suffered during the Japanese occupation, he said the chances of the Company receiving any compensation appeared very remote. "We would have to work out our own salvation under the handicap of tremendously increased prices of replacements which show no likelihood of a downward trend, and uncertain delivery dates have also to be taken into consideration."

Despite all these factors, the Company's actions were directed to a reduction in the high cost of living prevalent in the Colony, and with this object in view it had been decided to make a reduction in rates as from January 1, 1948, from 40 cents to 37 cents for lighting, and from 18 to 16 cents for power.

Reductions would also be allowed on rates in the New Territories but this reduction would not apply to bulk rate contracts.

During the year 385 factories were connected to the Company's mains, while 106 factories closed down. This left a net total of 279, made up of 13 for plating, 25 for engineering, 64 for knitting, 32 for sawmills, nine for torchlights and bulbs, 34 for metals, 12 for building and construction, nine for leather, seven for dyeing, eight for pringing and 61 for sundry small factories. This, he said, gave an indication of industrial expansion in Kowloon during the year.

The number of consumers as at September 30, 1948, had increased by more than 3,800 over the previous year.

Additional Capital

Mr. Raymond detailed items amounting to HK$4,000,000 established by the Company's Extension of Distribution System, and said in order to raise additional capital it had been decided to issue new shares at par to shareholders at the rate of two shares against every three existing shares, on which HK$3 a share would be payable on application.

This would raise HK$8,000,000 which would be sufficient to finance the Company's requirements to the end of 1950, and the remaining HK$2 a share would not be needed until after then.

After explaining various items in the accounts, Mr. Raymond asked the meeting to sanction the interim dividend of 40 cents a share and to approve the report and accounts for the year as well as the Board's recommendation of a final dividend of HK$1 a share.

The report and accounts were seconded by Mr. N. V. A. Croucher, and the payment of dividends by Mr. A. R. Brown, and carried unanimously.

Elections

The meeting also approved the re-election of Mr. Albert Raymond and Mr. Horace Kadoorie, the retiring Directors, to the Board as well as the re-appointment of Messrs. Peat, Marwick and Mitchel and Messrs. Lowe Bingham and Matthews as auditors for the ensuing year.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. Albert Raymond (Chairman of the Board), supported by Sir Man-kam Lo, Mr. H. D. Benham and Mr. H. Kadoorie (Directors), Mr. F. C. Clemo (Manager) and Mr. P. W. A. Wood, (Secretary and Chief Accountant).

Shareholders present included Messrs. E. Abraham, A. R. Brown, N. V. A. Croucher, J. Grant, A. Hillaly, P. Loureiro, A. H. Potts, Chou Po-min, Fung Manter, Ling Man-I, Lo Kin-fai, Mok Ying-kie, Li Shiu-chung, and Major C. W. L. Way.

Prior to the annual general meeting, shareholders met at an extraordinary general meeting at which they approved an amendment to the Memorandum of Association which in effect permitted the Company to have its head office in Kowloon instead of in Hong Kong.

The change, explained the Chairman, was a matter of convenience, since all the activities of the Company were centred in Kowloon. However, a branch office would be maintained in Hong Kong for the convenience of the public.

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BAZAAR OPENED

Shown are Mrs. J. W. Green, President of the Kowloon Union Church Women's Guild (left), Mrs. R. G. Craig, and the Rev. Frank Short, at the opening of the Kowloon church bazaar.—Sunday Herald Photo.

Kowloon Church Group Holds Bazaar

The Kowloon Union Church Hall, flag-bedecked and decorated, was the scene of a successful bazaar held yesterday afternoon.

The bazaar was organised by the Women's Guild of the Kowloon Union Church, of which the President is Mrs. Greene, and Secretary Mrs. Michelmore. The proceeds of the bazaar will go to the church restoration fund.

The bazaar was opened by Mrs. R. G. Craig, who was introduced by the Reverend F. Short. Two girls then presented bouquets to Mrs. Craig, and the 1st Kowloon Brownie Pack formed a trim guard of honour.

The Reverend G. N. Stevenson, who arrived in Hong Kong recently and has since taken the position as pastor of the Hong Kong Union Church, was present at the fete and expressed much satisfaction over it.

Chief Attractions

One of the chief attractions was the Dairy Farm Ice Cream stall which was well patronised by children as well as adults. There was also a Coca-Cola Stall.

All the stalls included in the fete were attended by hard-working and charming attendants, who were kept busy during the entire fete. Among the stalls were some displaying fancy goods, woollen goods, baby clothes, Christmas Cards and books. There was also a confectionery stall, a balloon place, and several others including a Children's Corner organised by Mrs. C. Stuart and Mrs. J. Thompson.

Music was supplied by the Central Radio Station.

Tea was served under the supervision of Mrs. R. Taylor.

Charity Show Held At Po Hing Theatre

A Charity performance on behalf of the Kowloon Free Ambulance of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, was held at the Po Hing Theatre, Kowloon on Friday, by courtesy of Mr. Sir Kwok-sin and his players and the owners of the Po Hing Theatre, represented by Mr. C.C. Ho the manager.

The Chinese Play presented was entitled "The war garments stained by Rouge" and was thoroughly enjoyed by a very large and representative audience.

Relief from entertainment tax was afforded owing to the generosity of the following, Mr. Wong Sik-kuen Mr. Leung Yau, Mr. Chuk-hung, Mr. Liang Chi-hao Mr. Kwok Lam-po, Mr. U Sze-wing, Mr. Li Yu-kee, Directors of the Kowloon Motor Bus Co. and the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, who defrayed all expenses in connection with the show.

Mr. I. B. Trevor, MC, Assistant Commissioner, in a short speech of thanks, made reference to the valuable work being carried out in Kowloon by the free ambulance and mentioned that over 1,100 patients had been conveyed to Hospital in a period of just over 10 months. Amongst those present representing the Brigade were Dist. Off. L. Bones, Corps Supt. R. A. Edwards, Corps officers Tong Shiu Cheung, Tung Kim Shing and all District Supts. of the Kowloon Sub District.

TOC H CONCERT

A concert of recorded music will be presented at Talbot House (Toc H), 50 MacDonnell Road at 8.30 this evening.

The programme will include:—

Concerto in A major for piano and orchestra by Mozart.

Excerpts from "Don Giovanni" by Mozart (sung by Gigli).

Symphony in C Major, No. 9 by Schubert.

TEA PARTY ON DUTCH VESSEL

A tea party was held aboard the new Dutch motorship Van Riemsdijk yesterday.

Mr. G. N. Prass, master of the vessel, which is making her maiden voyage to Far Eastern waters to operate the Royal Interocean Line's Sumatra-Malaya-China run, was host to many guests.

The ms. Van Riemsdijk arrived here last Friday from Batavia.

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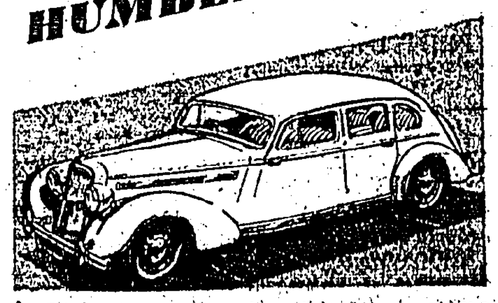

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Petrol Stealing Case Enters Final Stage; Drivers Sentenced

The $20,000-a-month Petrol Stealing Case, started on June 20, was brought to its final stage at Kowloon yesterday when the last three of the 33 drivers arrested were sentenced by Mr. J. Wicks on charge of larceny.

Cheng Yim, 27-year-old driver of Naval bus 75701, was fined $250 or two months' hard labour; Ng Sung, aged 32, driver of Military lorry A3268, was given a similar sentence; and Li King-cheung, aged 21, driver of Military lorry A3675, was fined $300 or four months' hard labour.

Detective Sub-Inspector V.M. Morrison, Anti-Corruption Squad of the Special Branch, prosecuted. Mr. Marcus da Silva represented Cheng; Mr. P.C. Woo defended Li, and Mr. C.A. Sutherton Russ was for Ng.

In a strong plea for mitigation, Mr. Russ said that all the defendants were the unfortunate heirs of a system which should not have been allowed to exist. The petrol stealing game was made into a large racket, the organisers of which escaped scot free, and the young men (defendants) were jockeyed into the racket.

"It required more courage than these young men possessed to resist the temptation to join," said Mr. Russ. "They faced the great danger of being framed if they did not join and, as I have said, it required greater courage than these men have to resist."

Mr. Russ went on to draw the court's attention to what happened in internment camps when men found themselves up against it. Men, who should be the leaders, faltered and gave in to threats of reprisals or actual reprisals.

Mr. Woo, pleading for leniency for both Cheng and Li, said that both men are young and have been under a great suspense since their arrest on June 17. They have lost their jobs, and a conviction would jeopardise their future.

Impressed With Attitude

Before passing sentence, Mr. Wicks said that he had been very impressed with the attitude of all the defendants throughout the entire trial. He did not think that they were of the criminal type, but was rather inclined to agree with Mr. Russ that they were small parts in a scheme not thought out by them.

On referring to the notes on the case, he said, he found that all those who pleaded guilty when the case was first heard by an other magistrate were given prison sentences without the option of a fine. Taking everything into consideration, however, he was of the opinion that the option should be given to the present three defendants.

The arrest of 33 drivers of Government, Military and Naval vehicles by Special Branch men, under Chief Inspector J. Johnston, DSI Morrisen and Detective Sergeant-Major Iu Muk, on June 17 created a sensation at the time. On the following day, three other drivers were arrested.

On their being charged before Mr. W.A. Blair-Kerr on June 20, 21 pleaded guilty and were sentenced to prison terms ranging from 18 months to three months, and two, including an amah, were discharged on the prosecution withdrawing the charge against them.

Two men were discharged on August 4, and another six acquitted on November 23 when their respective counsels successfully submitted that they had no case to answer.

Two other men, Mak Yuk and Wong Sing-lui, are still on remand awaiting sentence on the charge of receiving stolen property.

FILM SHOWS TO CHILDREN

During the past two months 42,000 school children have seen programmes of special films of general interest and educational value, in local theatres.

These shows have been organized by the Visual Aids Committee of the Education Department with the co-operation of the management of the theatres, film distributors, and the Public Relations Office.

It has thus been possible to charge only nominal sums of 40 cents down to 10 cents for each show, and hundreds of free seats have also been allocated. The children have been drawn chiefly from Vernacular schools, and all films have been previewed and edited with Chinese captions for their better appreciation.

Personalia

Arrivals at Peninsula Hotel on November 26: Rev. De Smedt, Rev. Vanacker, Rev. Gillis, Rev. Veranneman, Rev. Verloessen, Rev. Serruys, Rev. Jan Sips, Rev. A. Florizoome, Rev. A. Pomme, Rev. Em. Pirn, Rev. A. D'Oncieu, Miss E. McCormack and Miss S. Durwin.

Departures from Peninsula Hotel on December 26: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Berwick, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Wong, Miss M. I. Cotton, Dr. N. C. E. McCarthy, Dr. F. H. Rand, Mrs. H. Roesveld, Mr. V. C. Dixon and Mr. R. Morot.

Rev. Bernard T. Welch, MM arrived from Swatow by ss. Hanyang yesterday.

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General Ritchie will visit Hong Kong on a routine inspection lasting two days. He will arrive at Kai Tak where he will be greeted by a guard of honour composed of two officers and fifty other ranks of the 2/10 Gurkha Rifles.

On December 1 the General will tour the New Territories accompanied by the GOC General Matthews visiting the 25 Field Regt RA who will be on an exercise at the time, and 2/10 Gurkha Rifles at San Wai.

The C in C will leave for Singapore by air on December 2.

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Dr. I Newton, who is at present on leave in England, is expected to arrive in the Colony within the next fortnight to resume his post as Director of Medical Services.

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The Reverend Father N. Mazzotini, of the Catholic Mission, arrived yesterday at noon by air from a two-year tour of Catholic Action groups in Europe and America.

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Mr. R.H.J. Brooks, Divisional Officer of the Hong Kong Fire Brigade, who has been on home leave, returned to the Colony at the beginning of last week and has resumed duty.

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Sir Victor Sassoon arrived by plane from Shanghai yesterday for a week's visit to the colony.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS NO. 25 OF 1948.

VICTORIA HARBOUR LAYING OF TELEGRAPH CABLE.

It is notified for general information that a submarine telegraph cable laying junk will be operating on 7th and 8th December, 1948 in the Central Harbour Cable Ground situated between the south end of Kowloon Peninsular and City of Victoria.

The prescribed signals for a cable laying vessel will be exhibited.

AUTHORITY: — Director of Marine.

J. JOLLY,
Director of Marine.

Marine Department,
Hong Kong, Nov. 25, 1948.

NOTICE TO MARINERS NO. 26 OF 1948.

ABERDEEN HARBOUR—HONG KONG

It is notified for general information that a submarine telegraph cable laying junk will be operating on 9th and 10th December in the Aberdeen Cable Ground situated between Aberdeen and Aplichau Island.

The prescribed signals for a cable laying vessel will be exhibited.

AUTHORITY: — Director of Marine.

J. JOLLY,
Director of Marine.

Marine Department,
Hong Kong, Nov. 25, 1948.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE

ANNUAL RACE MEETING 1949

The conditions of the "Foochow Cup" the sixth race of the 1st Day, Saturday, 15th January, 1949, have been altered to read as follows:—

"Foochow Cup" Winner $2,000. Second $1,000. Third $750. A Handicap for Australian Ponies of any previous season. Entrance $10. One and a half miles.

By Order
C. B. Brown,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, November 22, 1948.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE NOVEMBER HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF VOTING MEMBERS will be held at the Club House, Happy Valley, on Monday, November 29, 1948, at 5.30 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS are cordially invited to attend and participate in any discussion which may ensue.

By Order of the Stewards,
S. A. Selap,
Actg. Secretary.
Hong Kong, November 15, 1948.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED

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Monthly Tickets for the month of December may be obtained, as follows:—

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Existing tickets can be renewed at the Traffic Office, Canal Road East, on the 26th, 27th and 28th November and from 3rd December.

Existing tickets may also be renewed at Queen's Building, Connaught Road Entrance, near Star Ferry, on the 29th and 30th November and 1st and 2nd December.

W. F. SIMMONS,
General Manager.

NOTICE

Will all Ladies and Gentlemen resident in Hong Kong (Except serving Members of His Majesty's Forces) who have at any time had any British decoration conferred on them please send details to the Chief Clerk, Colonial Secretariat, not later than Friday, December 10, 1948, stating the year in which the decoration was conferred.

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Members are reminded of the St. Andrew's Day Remembrance Service to be held at Stanley Cemetery at 3.00 p.m. on Sunday, 28th November, 1948.

CHAS. G. SMITH,
Hon. Secretary.

NOTICE

U. S. R. C.

It is notified that the Committee of the U.S.R.C. (1947) are not responsible for any bills incurred by me, AH LAU, in respect of the catering of the Club.

(signed) AH LAU.

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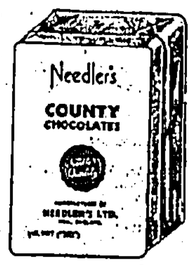
The subject will be "Education in England Today."

All interested are invited to attend.



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Road Safety

Sir,—In the "China Mail" yesterday on the motoring page were some remarks on road safety. The most pressing problem in Hong Kong is that of the pedestrian. I saw that this was dismissed with a twitting reference to jay walking. In other places where it is realised that most of us are pedestrians most of the time; quite a bit of thought is put into protecting the pedestrian and educating both him and the motorist.

The pedestrian is the vehicle with the highest initial rate of acceleration on the public highway, and incidentally this rate is the same should it be turning and proceeding in any new direction in the adjacent semi-circle. Therefore, tough laws should be made and enforced for the conduct of pedestrians. But at the same time, the motorist should be made to respect the Pedestrian's Right of Way in a pedestrian crossing. If the pedestrian finds from experience in Hong Kong that he crosses the road at the peril of his life at the corner just as in the middle of the block, then you have myriad jay-walkers. So though the traffic department has drawn pretty white lines they, quite right, mean nothing to the average pedestrian since he runs the same risk or maybe a greater risk there, than if he crossed elsewhere. A friend explained that when he crosses in the white lines he feels slightly more secure and as a result has been caught off guard by some average motorist who speeds up and tears past him while he tries to cross. Yet another friend explained that when he crosses in the middle of the block he has only two things to contend with and not the added perils of fools or knaves making left and right hand turns to catch him unawares.

Then we have what appears to be the half-hearted attitude of the traffic authorities who draw lines on the roadway and permit them to be completely erased before repainting them. There are special paints for this job and they last at least two months in downtown traffic areas and five to six months in rural areas. The inferior paints used here don't seem to stand up very long and in any case should not be allowed to wear off completely before being replaced.

The most pressing problem is to educate the public in road safety. The authorities will counter that this is an impossible task. But has anything been done to dent the problem besides the placing of extra policemen at the corner of DVRC and Pedder Street? How about safety pictures being distributed to the press to be published, as a public service? This would be a fine way to test the goodwill of our local press. People produce "quickie" Motion pictures here in Hong Kong for as little as HK$6,000. Surely a film like this with a Cantonese dialogue and English sub-titles would go a long way to liquidate public ignorance.

Let us see a drive for road safety started in the colony which goes farther toward enlisting public support than the dry laconic official pronouncements and the dreary Magistrate Court shorts on offences and convictions.

These convictions mean little in the way of prevention since many would-be offenders either do not or can not read.

PEDESTRIAN

APPLICATION ON DEATH

An application to presume the death of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Malcolm Robert Hodgman late of 14 Stubbs Road, was made yesterday before Sir Leslie Gibson (Chief Justice).

The application was made by Mr. D. A. L. Wright instructed by Mr. H. Capstate of Messrs Deacons, for and on behalf of the next of kin, the deceaseds' respective fathers.

Mr. and Mrs. Hodgman were among those who died in the Catalina Piracy some months ago.

After Sir Leslie Gibson had told Mr. Wright that it was necessary to get an affidavit from the lone survivor of the Catalina plane crash in order to clear the matter up, hearing was adjourned sine die.

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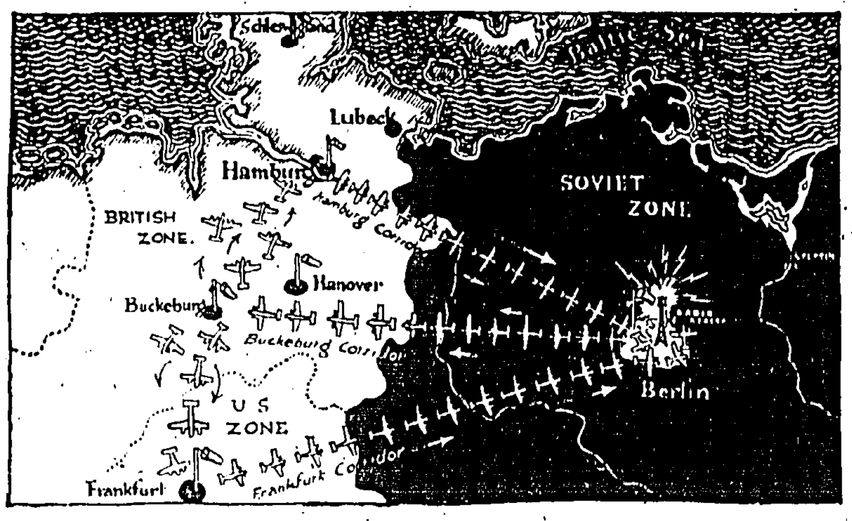

CLOSE-UP OF THE AIR-LIFT NOTHING CAN STOP

Bad weather will not beat the Berlin air-lift—though fog cut the number of planes operating it. That is the news from Gatow, busiest airport in the world.

Sitting in Gatow's control tower, overlooking the single runway on which freighters were landing and taking off alternately every 90 seconds, I listened to the Weather Man:-

"We have studied the weather history of Berlin and the loading bases for the past four years," he said, "and we must face up to the fact that the entire air-lift fleet may be grounded for one day in every four throughout November and December."

Making Up Leeway

Put like that, the problem of supplying food, light, and heat by air for 2,500,000 Germans in the Western sectors of Berlin this winter seemed formidable. How will it be surmounted?

These three factors make it possible:

1 *The marvel of Ground Controlled Approach—G.C.A.—the radar talk-you-down landing system with which the air traffic controllers can bring in one plane every four minutes in all but the worst visibility.*

2 *The fact that in good weather the Anglo-American Combined Air-lift Task Force—of which the R.A.F.'s Air Commodore John Merer is deputy commander — is already exceeding the daily target set by the Control Commission for Germany.*

"This means," a senior R.A.F. officer said, "that we can make up on clear days the leeway we lose when the weather is bad."

3 *The scientific precision with which planes of a dozen different types, all with different cruising speeds, are fed into the crowded, one-way air corridor over the Russian zone.*

"The air-lift is a problem of time and space," an R.A.F. Transport Command chief said at Air-lift H.Q., Buckeburg, near Hanover.

You can't heat; feed, and light our section of Berlin simply by using masses of aeroplanes. The sky space through which our flying coal-trucks and grocery-vans can reach Berlin is strictly limited. Landing facilities in Berlin are equally restricted.

So they called in the scientists, and the boffins, with their slide-rules, did lots of sums and worked out complicated formulae for making the maximum use of the available sky and runway space.

For the British and American planes operating into Gatow from the British zone they split up the 24 hours of each day into six "blocks" of four hours each and compiled a time-table based on one flight into Berlin every four hours by every serviceable aircraft.

150-mile Mix-up

Into these four-hour blocks they had to fit a mixed assortment of military and civil planes cruising at several different speeds and

By COURTENAY EDWARDS

operating from five different supply bases—Wunstorf, Fassberg, Lubeck, Fuhlsbuttel, and Finkenwerder—spread out in an arc 150-180 miles from Berlin.

The main aircraft types are the military version of the Douglas Skymaster (payload 8 tons), Avro Yorks (7½ tons) and Douglas Dakotas (3¼ tons).

Three air-lift corridors, each 20 miles wide and extending from an altitude of 1,000ft. to 10,000ft., are used for a one-way traffic system.

British and U.S. planes operating from the British zone fly into Gatow along the Hamburg corridor, each type being given a different height.

Skymasters of the U.S.A.F., plying from Wiesbaden and Frankfort, in the American zone, fly into Tempelhof along the Frankfort corridor. And they all return to the British zone, before branching off to their respective bases, along the third, central corridor, stretching due west of Berlin towards Buckeburg.

Let us take a closer look at the crowded Hamburg corridor, where—unlike the one from the U.S. zone—the traffic flow is complicated by the diversity of aircraft types employed.

Every 90 Seconds

The boffins have based their schedule on a maximum flow of 480 aircraft into and out of Gatow every 24 hours—that is, 960 aircraft movements a day—one every 90 seconds.

On October 17, their best day so far, the Combined Task Force got 454 planes into and out of Gatow with only one runway in use.

This almost incredible handling rate has demanded special air traffic control methods from which civil air transport should learn many valuable lessons.

There is no time for planes to make a normal landing circuit. After roaring down the Hamburg corridor they "home" on a radar beacon at Frohnau, 16 miles from Gatow. Here they come down to 1,500ft., lower their wheels, make for another beacon in the centre of Berlin — and turn straight down on to the runway.

At Frohnau they are told by radar from the control tower the precise second at which they must land. Any pilot who is more than ten seconds early or late or who spoils his landing by coming in too high or too low does not get a second chance to land. There is no time.

He has to turn round and go home, for the next man in the long food-and-fuel queue is already coming in to land just behind him, and the slightest variation in the rhythm of the lift would wreck the whole thing.

The same procedure is followed in good weather or bad. When Gatow is blanketed by fog or cloud the pilot comes in on exactly the same dog-leg, only he is guided along it and steered down on to the runway by R.A.F. officers sitting in a little G.C.A. van at the side of the runway and talking to the pilot by radio as they watch the plane showing as a spot of light on their radar screens.

Best achievement so far by these G.C.A. boys has been to land 241 planes in 24 hours, with only six pilots botching their touch-down and having to go back home.

This air-lift is real Anglo-American team-work with each nation making a maximum contribution in its own special way.

Steady As A Bus

They told me in Berlin that a reserve of food and fuel sufficient for a month's supplies on the present austerity basis has been accumulated in the blockaded city. Soon a third terminal airfield will be in use—at Tegel, in the French sector.

As I stood in Gatow's control tower watching the Skymasters and Yorks coming and going with the insistence of No. 11 buses surging up and down Fleet-street a control officer put this great air transport operation into proper perspective.

"They tell me," he said, "that the effort going into the lift is equal to launching one 1,000-bomber raid every 48 hours."

Hesitantly, Fearfully France Is Trying To Make Up Her Mind How To Smash The French Communist Party And Destroy Russia's Hold On The French TUC

REDS RE-GROUP IN FRANCE

By Walter Farr

Not so long ago most French people were wondering not *how* Communists could be thrown out, but whether they could be thrown out.

The mood has changed. There is a majority in France today in favour of very strong action against the Communists. And the change is due largely to the latest Communist coup in Western Europe—the 30-day strike of French coal miners, carried out on orders from Moscow.

Crippled Mines

It has cost France 5,000,000 tons of coal and crippled some of her biggest mines for months through flooding and sabotage.

Serious damage has also been done to such important installations as the plants for making coke, one of the essentials to steel production.

The Communist-led strike has compelled the Government at considerable cost to mass large units of the Regular Army around the pits and to call up 50,000 reservists and conscripts.

They had to advance in battle order before the Communists holding the pits could be dislodged.

This heavy blow at France's economy and at the Marshall Plan—upon which Britain's future, too, so largely depends—has been accomplished by a comparatively few militant Communists. They achieved it without bringing their para-military formations out into the open and without using firearms (except one or two rifles and revolvers and a few practice-type hand-grenades).

They have shown that they are able to do this sort of thing in other French key industries. They are already planning a similar move against the French armament factories.

Easy To Strike

Their hold on France's trade unions is such that they can easily strike at each section of industry, and their speeches, Press, and what is known of their planning show that they fully intend to do so.

The case for determined action to smash the Communist machine here is therefore clear.

There is a growing feeling among responsible Frenchmen that the only way to deal with that machine is to go for it bald-headed, arrest and imprison its key men—whether they are in the legally constituted "T.U.C." or whether they are legally elected members of Parliament or in Government departments.

But most of the members of the French Coalition Government—particularly, the Socialists—raise their hands in horror at the idea.

They say it would simply undermine the elementary principles of the Fourth Republic, that in any case it would be difficult to prove anything against the leading Communists, and that, after all, there are 186 Communists in the Assembly, which legally makes them the largest party in Parliament.

The Socialists also fear it would help Communism here, instead of hindering it, by making its leaders appear as martyrs; or that it would force them underground and eventually provoke civil war.

The result is that the Government has virtually decided against making a frontal attack, and instead will try to "contain" (that is the word used by one of the Cabinet officials) the Communists.

Stricter Laws

One means will be found in certain changes of the penal code which will make possible a wider application of the laws against sabotage and "treasonable activity." Punishments will be stepped up too.

A new strike law is proposed under which strike pickets would be made responsible for any sabotage or damage of installations in the factories or the mines.

But the Socialists shrink even from these proposals—for their own political reasons. They believe that the relatively small number of workers now backing the Socialist Party here might look upon the new strike law as a move against organised labour, and therefore switch over to the Communists.

Long-Term View

So, despite the fact that the Communists have succeeded in turning some of the biggest industrial areas of France into Soviet-dominated islands, and are threatening to create new and bigger Soviet islands on the edge of the English Channel, the French Government is unlikely to produce any very violent or effective counter-attack.

The Government here seems to base its counter-measures principally on a long-term view that you must give the Marshall Plan time to take effect and that eventually it will succeed in feeding, clothing, and warming people so efficiently that most of the 1,000,000 signed-up members of the French Communist Party, the 3,500,000 who belong to the Communist "T.U.C.," and the 5,000,000 who voted Communist at the last election will see the error of their ways and become moderates.

Drastic Need

Everything now happening in France suggests that the Communists, unless something very drastic is done to stop them, have the power to destroy France's contribution to the Marshall Plan.

The "go slow" policy of the French thus means that in one of the most important parts of the Continental mainland the Communists, within the next few crucial months, will continue to have virtually a free hand.

A few of the rank and file Communists may be arrested, but the leaders will continue as before.

It boils down to this: If the French Cabinet don't soon start arresting Communists responsible for destroying their country's vital services the Communists may very soon be in a position to arrest them.

UN Body To Extend Work To Japan

Beirut, November 27.

The official and external relations commission of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisations (UNESCO) approved a plan to extend many of its activities to Japan and Germany.

The UN General Assembly must consider the resolution. It would permit Japanese and German experts with clear political records to attend technical meetings called by UNESCO provided the host Council raises no objections.

The plan provides $62,846 to further the programme. This would include distribution of documents, exchange of educational and scientific publications, guidance in textbook preparation and research exchanges.—Associated Press.

PAPER BANNED

Karachi, November 26.

The Hindustani Times of New Delhi, edited by Deyadas Gandhi, son of the assassinated Mohandas K Gandhi, has been banned in Pakistan for six months, the Interior Ministry announced.

The Ministry said the paper carried propaganda calculated to embitter relations between the peoples of the Dominions of India (predominantly Hindu) and Pakistan (Moslem).—Associated Press.

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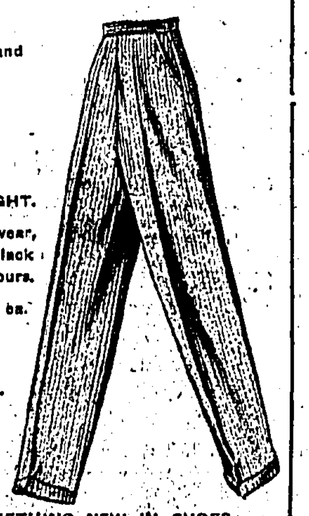

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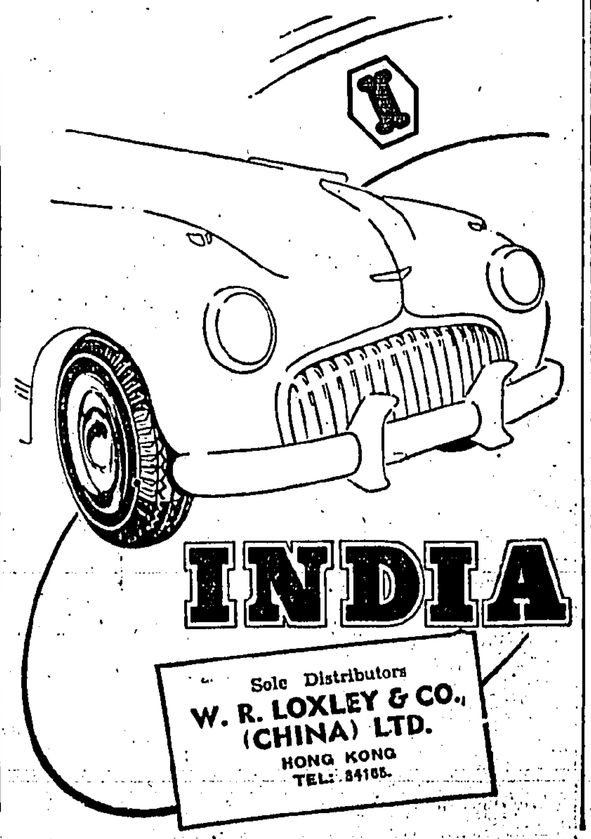

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MAN WHO RAN AWAY WAS A FRIEND OF JOHN BELCHER

London, November 26.

A man who admitted he had once left Britain to evade arrest on a fraud charge told the Tribunal probing alleged corruption in Government circles today that he was a close friend of the Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, Mr. John Belcher.

He added that he had never told Mr. Belcher any facts about himself. The man, Robert William Liversidge, who took the oath in Jewish fashion, said his name had once been Perlsweig. He agreed he had been interned for 18 months during the war.

Witness was testifying to the Tribunal about a proposed deal for the export of millions of cement bags. It is alleged that he offered to use his purported influence at the Board of Trade to get the deal through if he was paid one penny a bag, which would have brought him over £83,000.

Crown Counsel: "Is it right to say that for the last 20 years or more you have been living on the fringe of the criminal law?"

Witness: "It is not correct." He agreed that in 1927 a warrant had been issued for his arrest for fraudulently converting £6,600 belonging to a Mrs. Heath. He had left the country to evade arrest. One of his associates had been sent to prison for 12 months.

Liversidge denied that while in the United States he had associated in business with a man called Albert ... piro. He knew however that Shapiro was a convicted share-pusher, alleged to have defrauded a Mrs. Mussoon.

Cement Bag Case

He denied having been associated for the last 10 years with persons engaged in share-pushing operations, some of whom had been convicted.

A Mr. Frank Kuftel was a very good friend of his and witness agreed that he had been deported.

Counsel: "Was he well known and indeed a notorious share-pusher?"

Witness: "Yes, I believe he is."

Crown Counsel: "You have been in touch with him recently in Paris?"

Witness: "Yes."

The Tribunal earlier heard another witness on the "cement bag case" the only part of the inquiry in which Sidney Stanley, an alien said to use five different names, is not implicated, when Edward Green, a cardboard box manufacturer, said he had tried but failed to get a licence from the Board of Trade for the export of millions of cement bags.

Dinner At Flat

Green said he had met Liversidge, who said: "You don't know the ropes. I will get a licence for you."

There was a subsequent dinner at Liversidge's flat, Mr. Belcher was present. Liversidge and Mr. Belcher had a conversation, than Liversidge called witness over and asked in an undertone: "Can you arrange for your people to pay for the cement bags in dollars?"

Witness said he thought he could, and Liversidge said: "All right. You will get your licence." Mr. Belcher said nothing and witness doubted if he heard Liversidge's remarks.

Later, Green again saw Liversidge, who said cement bags would have to be exported through him, otherwise the Board of Trade would not grant a licence.

Green said: "You are not doing this for love. What do you want?"

Liversidge said he wanted one penny a bag and witness told him forcibly not to be foolish. One penny a bag would have worked out at £83,000.

Christmas Gifts

Eventually witness wrote to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, but got no answer. He did not have anything more to do with Liversidge.

Earlier, a manufacturer of cosmetics, named Leonard Joseph Matcham, told the Tribunal that he had sent Christmas gifts to Mr. and Mrs. Belcher.

The presents were given simply because of personal friendship. He never thought a few presents or a little hospitality would aid the position of his company or of the Perfumery Manufacturers Federation with the Board of Trade.

A Mrs. Rosemary Ponte said drinks for the birthday party which the alien, Sidney Stanley, is alleged to have given the Belchers cost £52. Flowers cost £5.

The Tribunal adjourned until tomorrow.—Reuter.

Mystery Witness In Court

The Hague, November 26.

The examination of Karl Kovacic, Britain's mystery witness in the Corfu case, was discontinued abruptly in the International Court of Justice here today after a protest by the British Solicitor-General, Sir Frank Soskice, on the length of Professor Pierre Cot's questioning.

Kovacic had been giving evidence for three days. Professor Cot, for Albania, was continuing his examination after Kovacic had denied the accuracy of a Yugoslav communique on the alleged mining of the Corfu Channel.

Kovacic told the court that every statement he had made in evidence was true.

The court adjourned until tomorrow morning when the Commander of the British destroyer Saumarez will be questioned.—Reuter.

THE TARGET IN SOUTH AFRICA

Pretoria, November 26.

The South African Minister of the Interior, Dr. T. E. Donges, said today that it was the ultimate target of the Union Government to reduce the South African Indian population to an irreducible minimum.

He told a deputation of the South African Indian Organisation the Government's policy was to ease friction by adopting a principle of repatriation which would be applied in a friendly way with the assistance of the other governments concerned.

Meanwhile, the policy of Apartheid, which aimed at the elimination of colour tension, would be applied.—Reuter.

Sawed Through Metal Walls

Chicago, November 26.

One of nine prisoners trying to escape from the Cook County gaol during the night was shot dead.

The others surrendered.

They had sawn their way through the metal walls, 120 centimetres thick, of their cells and were trapped in in the gaol yard while trying to scale a wall seven metres high.—Reuter.

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12.00 p.m.—"Picture Parade" — "Anna Karenina" by Leo Tolstoy. (BBC)
12.30 p.m.—Sports Results and Daily Programme Summary.
12.40 p.m.—Light Variety.
1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25 p.m.—Interlude.
1.30 p.m.—A Popular Concert.
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
5.58 p.m.—Programme Summary.
6.00 p.m.—Weekly News-Letter. (London Relay)
6.15 p.m.—"Grand Hotel" Albert Sandler Orchestra & Robert Easton. (Bass) (BBCTS)
6.45 p.m.—The Skyrockets Dance Orchestra.
7.00 p.m.—World and Home News. (London Relay)
7.15 p.m.—"Looking ahead" A Review of the Weeks Programmes.
7.30 p.m.—The Noel Coward Programme.
8.00 p.m.—"From the Editorials." (London Relay)
8.10 p.m.—Interlude.
8.15 p.m.—"ITMA" with Tommy Handley. (London Relay)
8.45 p.m.—The University Programme. Law No. 1: Introductory Talk by Professor E.C.S. Wade. (BBCTS)
9.05 p.m.—"Symphony Concert" Direct Corner — Overture, ...Philharmonia Orchestra, Piano Concerto No in D Minor, Op 15 (Brahms), Wilhelm Backhaus and the BBC Symphony Orchestra, Adagio from Concerto in G Major (Mozart) ... Yehudi Menuhin.
10.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel. (London Relay)
10.15 p.m.—Weather Report.
10.16 p.m.—"Symphony Concert" (Cont'd) Symphony No. 7 in C Major Op 105, (Sibelius) ... St. Louis Sym. Orch. Sinfonia Concertante (Walton) ... Phyllis Sellick (Piano) and the City of Birmingham Orchestra. Capriccio (Dellius) ... Beatrice Harrison (Cello) with Orchestra.
11.00 p.m.—Epilogue conducted by The Rev. Leslie Foot, C. F. (Studio)
11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

Truman Pressing For Action Now

Washington, November 26.

President Truman has served notice on key legislators that he will tolerate no delay by the new Democratic Congress in approving his legislative programme.

As a result of his firm stand, the Senate Democratic Policy Committee will meet right after Christmas to begin planning a specific programme and draft strategy for getting the 81st Congress quickly organised.

An administration lieutenant described the President as ready to insist on the programme which he placed before the voters in his successful election campaign. He informed White House visitors that he regards the election returns as a popular mandate for both his proposals and those in the Democratic party platform.

He was reported to have brushed aside suggestions that it might be well to adopt a go easy policy between January 3, the day the Congress convenes, and his inauguration on January 20. He wants the Congress to organise itself swiftly and start legislative wheels grinding at once.

Senator James E. Murray, the latest of the Congressional White House visitors, gave as his personal opinion that the Congress will quickly repeal the Taft-Hartley Act and reinstate the old Wagner Labour Relations Act.

Since the election, the President has seen a string of his Congressional lieutenants and at least one Republican member both here and at his Key West vacation retreat.

The President has told his visitors that they already know his position on the much disputed labour and civil rights legislation. He was also said to have pointed out that while the bills on such complex subjects as high prices are still in the drafting stage, there are plenty of other urgent matters to keep the Congress busy.—United Press.

PEERESS LOSES HER NYLONS

Cliveden, November 27.

Lady Astor's home at Cliveden was broken into last night.

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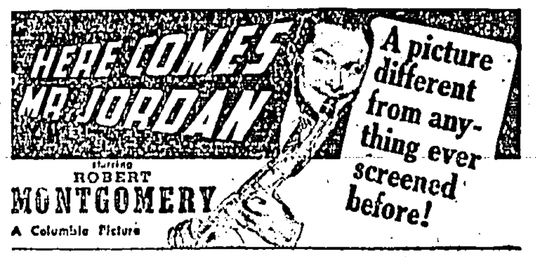

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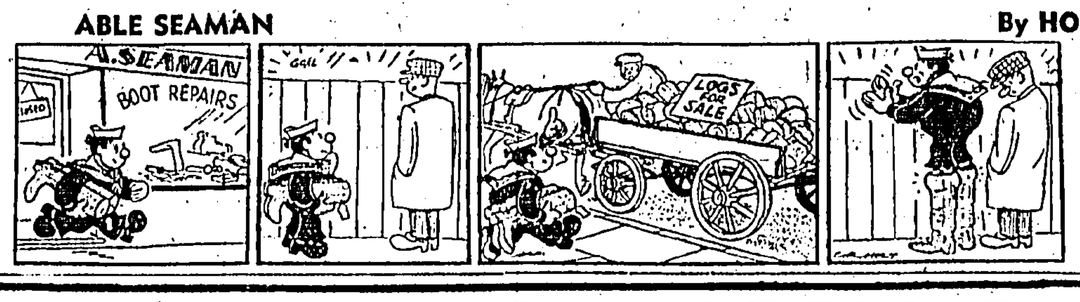

PATRICK CAMPBELL'S PIECE

To my surprise I found myself in the company of about 12,000 people at 9.30 last Monday morning in an immense underground passage leading out of Earl's Court Station.

I'd decided to get there early in order to have elbow room to play my tiny joke on the gentlemen with the military moustaches selling motor-cars at the great exhibition.

After standing without forward movement, in the passage for some 20 minutes I turned to the man next me and said: "It looks like an enormous but cleanly sewer, and how closely do we white trash resemble garbage being swept out inexorably on our way to the sea. For myself, I feel like some old brussels sprouts. And you?"

He moved away. Eventually, we came up somewhere underneath the Motor Show, to be halted at the turnstiles by a commissionaire.

The world is divided into two kinds of people. Those who just creep into exhibitions before the commissionaire puts up his arm, and those who don't.

We waited for about another quarter of an hour. I turned to the man next me and said: "Does it not strike you as strange that half the population of England should have taken a day off from work in order to get into an exhibition in which we can't buy anything because we aren't working hard enough in order to be able to do so?"

The man moved away. A bright and cheerful lot at 10 o'clock on a Monday morning, and only a light drizzle outside too.

I got into the exhibition. At first it looked like an exhibition of people; and then you saw the motor-cars underneath.

The plan I had was this. I was wearing my best suit—Jack Buchanan in the finale of any musical comedy presented in the West End before 1934. And I was also wearing my Irish, foxhunting, landed gentleman accent—a difficult thing to write down, but it comes out very sweet.

It looked, in fact, as though I might be just the sort of person who could order a motor-car, and have it sent over to Dublin.

This put me two clear jumps ahead of the millions of threadbare English, Scots and Welsh, trailing round the place with tattered umbrellas, just looking irretrievably separated from buying.

But this was not all. There was one further refinement. I could guarantee myself the best of attention from the salesmen with the cavalry moustaches, but there was no danger whatever of my being run into a corner, and actually having to make a purchase, handing over an obviously spurious cheque for £5,000.

Each of my legs is one mile long. In even the largest and most lavish town limousine I look like the Man in the Iron Mask. In anything smaller I'm quite often unable to breathe.

So there lay a wonderful morning before me, being fawned on by the moustaches, being shown into the driving seats of motor-cars more wonderful than anything in my wildest dreams, and at the end the curt words—"Well, there's clearly no point in ordering one of the bally things ("bally" is sort of Irish landed fox-hunting) if I'm going to be bent double every time I try to drive it."

To begin with I chose a very low, rapy two-seater, 100-m.p.h. sports car. Only about £3,000. A lovely young thing in tweeds, cashmere sweater and pearls was in consultation with the salesman.

"Gee," she said, "I guess I'll just cable Pop right away. I just dream about that automobile, and I guess my kid brother will go for one too."

The salesman broke his pencil trying to write down the names and addresses quickly enough.

She wandered away, probably to buy a couple more of a different colour. I was just about to slip in behind the wheel when I was forestalled by an exceedingly powerful looking gentleman with a very dark skin, and black and white shoes. It looked as if he might have had an awful lot of coffee in Brazil.

"You may find it a little cramped," said the salesman. The coffee man had, in fact, turned a couple of shades darker, with the steering wheel clamped against his chest. "But," the salesman continued, "we always like to build our cars to measure. If you could possibly come down to the factory. . . ."

I edged away into the crowd. Next time I chose one of the more popular makes.

This time it worked beautifully. The salesman loved my suit, and the Irish export angle. He even adjusted the driving mirror so that I could see out at the back. In the end, however, he had to agree that there really was no room for my legs and sadly put his order-book away.

I did it again and again. On several stands they even unlocked the doors for me, pushing the threadbare English, Scots, and Welsh on one side.

"Can't let everyone in, you know, sir," they said. "We're missing quite a number of cigar-lighters and other fittings already."

As soon as we had established the fact that my legs were too long to fit the driving seat they locked the doors again, and ostentatiously polished the mud-guards with their handkerchiefs where the rabble had pressed forward to watch me buy.

In the end I gathered up quite a retinue of proletarians, following me around from stand to stand, even making small bets among themselves about whether or not the next machine would be to my liking.

We drew up alongside an absolutely unbelievable motor-car—a motor-car with armchairs, telephones, cocktail cabinets, flowers. It probably had a hot bath in the dickey.

My friends pressed forward. Was this, perhaps, the end of their young hero's search?

"Well," I said to the salesman, "that's a smart-looking job Could I—"

"Excuse me," said the salesman quickly. He looked at me for a moment. "I don't want to disappoint you—but that car, sir—that car is strictly maharajah stuff."

It was quite nice at the buffet with a liver sausage sandwich and a bottle of luke-warm beer, back again upon my rightful social level.

It's bad enough at a party when, reaching for conversation, you say to the man next you: "Who in the world is that incredible harridan with the line in conversation which would be adjudged dull stuff even among the monkeys?" and he comes right back and says, "That's my wife."

And it's pretty bad, too, at 11 o'clock on a Sunday morning when the bell rings, and you're still in bed, and you stagger out to the door with your hair hanging over your face, wearing an old jersey and the lower half of your pyjamas because something has gone wrong with the laundry, and you think it's only the milkman, who knows everything about your domestic life already, and it turns out to be a refined spinster in pince-nez who wants to know if you have any suitable little gift for the bring-and-buy sale.

I can think of a large number of other things that I should prefer not to remember, including the morning, during the School Certificate examinations, when I became detached from my own form while changing classrooms and finished up in a room with a much older-looking group of boys, and sat silently at the back of the class for some time until the invigilator asked me what I thought I was doing, and I said I was waiting to be asked some questions in French oral, and the invigilator said I might have to wait for several hours as they happened to be busy with Roman history.

But I'll gladly carry the burden of all these recollections with me to my grave—PROVIDED THAT NEVER AGAIN DO I HAVE TO SIT IN A BARBER'S CHAIR WEARING A BLACK HAIR NET TIED IN A BOW AT THE BACK, STEADILY LOOKING AT MYSELF IN THE BARBER'S MIRROR.

WHAT THE CHINESE PRESS IS SAYING

Kung Sheung Man Po: Who wants to leave his home? Who wishes to endure high living costs? And who wants to live under foreign protection? Nobody does. Yet there are people doing so today. Naturally they have reasons—safety and security. Circumstances have forced people to leave their homes and flee elsewhere.

Hong Kong is fortunate in being free of all the ills besetting China today. Manchuria has fallen into the hands of the Communists and the whole of North China and Central China is faced with the same danger. Whether or not Hong Kong will remain a safe place permanently is still to be seen.

The influx of Chinese into the Colony has been criticised without careful consideration of the circumstances. In our view, it is both human and morally right to accord people fleeing for safety a welcome here.

The official denial to the report that Chinese will be restricted from entering Hong Kong comes at the right moment. The query by Mr. Vernon Bartlett in the House of Commons is meaningless. The reply by the Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, however, was not to the point as it omitted the related clause in the United Nations Charter.

When Hong Kong fell to the Japanese the British fled to Macao. A friend in need is a friend indeed. China being in trouble today needs a friend. History points out that China and Britain have also been friends.

We see no reason why Chinese refugees should be banned from taking shelter in Hong Kong as those fleeing here are doing so to escape the totalitarianism of the Communists.

Should the Communists advance further South, Hong Kong will be in the line of danger. To deal with this danger, Hong Kong should do everything in her power to assist the Chinese Government in meeting the challenge of the Communists. The close relations between China and Britain warrant the necessity for a fuller and better understanding of the peoples of China and Britain. We are of the opinion that the Hong Kong Government should set up a machinery for the reception of refugees from China.

Not An Easy Task

Sing Tao Jih Pao: The Chinese Communists are reported to be concentrating their strength for the occupation of the Hsuchow-Pengpu corridor and threatening the safety of Nanking. Although the outcome of the battles in the area is still undecided, anxiety has been felt at both Nanking and Shanghai.

As a precaution merchants and those who have the means have been moving hurriedly to the safety of Taiwan and Hong Kong. Planes and ships from Shanghai are crowded with fleeing passengers and reservations have been booked up for months to come.

It is expected that if the war fronts extend Southwards, the population of Hong Kong will be considerably increased.

Questions have been asked in the House of Commons. But nothing is yet known about Hong Kong's plans. The question not only concerns refugees flocking into the Colony. It concerns the local residents more deeply.

At present the local population is estimated at 2,000,000. It is more than enough in view of the existing housing facilities and capacities of public utilities. Any considerable increase in the population will inevitably affect peace and order, the supply of water, electricity and other essential supplies.

To control Chinese immigration is by no means an easy task. In fact there should be no such control of restrictions. Instead, preparations should be made to receive and house them.

Tricycles

Wah Kiu Yat Po: The petition by the tricycle drivers for a grace period of six months to change their occupation deserves public sympathy.

More than 1,000 drivers are affected by the Government order. With their livelihood taken away from them, the men and their dependents will constitute a serious social problem in Hong Kong.

We have nothing against the policy of Government. It is a good one and is in the interests of public safety and better communication facilities. But the fact remains that despite trams and buses and other means of transport, these 1,000 tricycle drivers manage to make a living. In view of this, they must be of some value to the community.

The tricycle is a better mode of transport when compared with the ricksha. Therefore, in our opinion, it is more logic to take the rickshas off the road first. Beside, in view of their practicability in being able to transport passengers as well as luggage and goods, their temporary existence in the Colony as a means for relieving the heavy demand on transportation is justified as the trams and buses are still insufficient.

Taxi Strike

Sing Tao Man Po: If continued to remain as it has been for the past two months, the taxi dispute will turn out to be disastrous to both parties in the dispute.

The owners have adopted a stubborn and uncompromising attitude. This is clear by their recruiting and employing new drivers. The step they have taken is an unwise one.

Trouble between labour and capital generally results from demands by labour which are regarded unacceptable by the employers. Both sides may have sound grounds for their actions. Such disputes, however, are not difficult to solve if both sides sincerely consider each other's interests.

Sincerity and frankness should be the key notes in negotiations. The present dispute has gone on too long and lessons must have been learnt by both sides. It is now time for the parties to resume negotiations and seek a reasonable solution.

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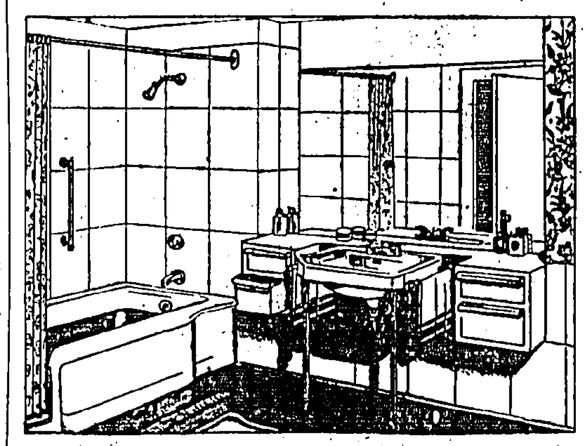

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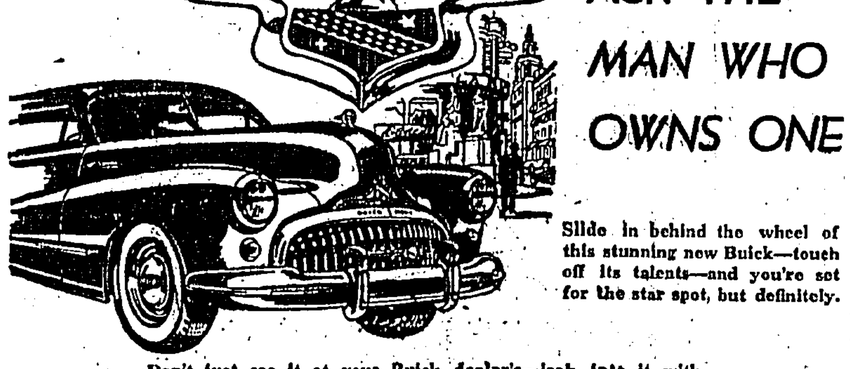

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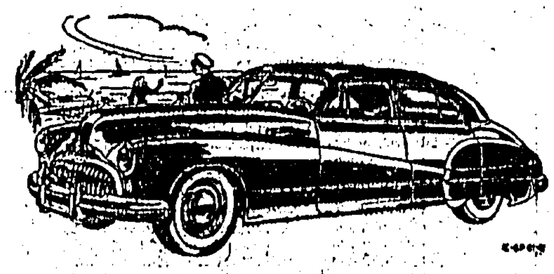

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Greek Peace Talk Making Progress

Paris, November 26.

The President of the UN General Assembly, Dr. Herbert Evatt (Australia) told the Assembly today that substantial progress has been made in the Paris peace talks between Greece and her three Northern neighbours.

The talks, held under the chairmanship of Dr. Evatt, are continuing. No definite agreement had yet been reached between the four countries.

"I think it is right to say, however, that we have made substantial progress towards a solution of some of the practical difficulties between Greece on the one hand and Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Albania on the other.

"Until a definite agreement has been concluded, I do not think I can disclose details of the areas of the present agreement."

Dr. Evatt made his announcement when the Assembly began to debate the four resolutions on the Balkans:

1. A Western resolution condemning Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Albania for helping the Greek Markos' forces and calling on them to cease this aid forthwith;

Call To Withdraw

2. A Soviet resolution demanding the withdrawal from Greece of all foreign troops and laying the blame for the Greek war on foreign interference.

3. A resolution unanimously accepted by the major Political Committee calling for the return to Greece of children whose parents ask for them.

4. An amended Soviet resolution calling on Greece and her Northern neighbours to establish diplomatic relations and to renew their previous frontier conventions.—Reuter.

Cabinet Formed In Belgium

Brussels, November 26.

M. Paul Henri Spaak formed a new Socialist-Catholic Government today. M. Spaak, who is 59, was Prime Minister and Foreign Minister in the Coalition Government of Socialists and Catholics which resigned last Friday.

Today he resumed his efforts to form a Cabinet for the second time in a week. On Tuesday, after four days of negotiations, he had announced his failure.

Since then, M. Gaston Syskens, the Catholic Minister in the outgoing Coalition, had tried in vain to fill the gap with a new Ministry.

The new Cabinet, the eighth since the Liberation, is, but for minor modifications, almost the same as M. Spaak's Government which resigned last Friday.

Mr. Spaak, a Socialist, is again Prime Minister and Foreign Minister, M. Gaston Syskens (Catholic) again Minister of Finance, and M. Pierre Vermeylen (Socialist) Minister of the Interior.

Mr. H.L. de Meien (Catholic) is Minister of Justice in succession to Mr. Paul Struye, whose resignation after he was criticised in Parliament for the reprieve of two Belgians condemned to death for war crimes, was followed by the resignation of the Government.

The new Cabinet has two fewer members than its predecessor.—Reuter.

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Dressmaker's Death Fall

Athens, November 26.

Madame Tsouhlco, aged 60, a well-known Athens dressmaker arrested two weeks ago on suspicion of co-operating with the Greek insurgents, fell to her death today from a window of the fifth floor of the Security Police building where she was detained.

Police headquarters said she had committed suicide after hearing there was heavy evidence that she was working for the Communists.—Reuter.

Hurricane Flattens Wide Area

Roodepoort, November 26.

Eight were killed and hundreds injured when a hurricane flattened a wide area of this populous mining town, 13 miles from Johannesburg, this afternoon.

The terrific wind, uprooting trees and knocking down poles, carried some roofs several streets away. It was estimated that 700 homes were affected in the devastated area.

The hurricane took a path from South to North, moving across North Roodepoort, Durban Deep, Georgina and part of Florida.

It also struck the Volksrust area of Eastern Transvaal, where a railway worker's home was demolished. One person was killed and two injured when the roof of a farm outbuilding was carried several miles at Fickland, between Volksrust and Amsfoorr.

Ten houses were damaged at Durban Deep Mine.—Reuter.

Slav Nations Attack "Economic Cold War"

Paris, November 27.

Slav delegates angrily alleged today that the United States is waging war on the Greek people and an economic cold war on Eastern Europe.

The Russian-led bloc attacked the European Recovery Programme (ERP) and the American policies in Greece in long speeches to the United Nations Assembly.

The Assembly agreed with the United States on the economic issue. It voted 33 to six against a Polish resolution which, Western delegates said, looked innocent but was actually a condemnation of the American support of ERP.

Then the delegates began a long round of speeches on the Balkans base. Some, including Mr. Hector McNeil of Britain, dozed off and slept as the Slav attack was begun by Yugoslavia.

Dr. Ales Bebler, the Yugoslav chief delegate, called on the Assembly to reject a Political Committee resolution condemning Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Albania for helping Greek guerillas.

Speaking loudly in French, Mr. Bebler delivered a general assault on the American mission in Greece. He declared:

"Waging War"

"In short, the United States of America is waging war against the Greek people. They (the U.S.) are doing it openly before the eyes of the whole world."

Mr. Bebler said that the American, Lieutenant - General James Van Fleet, is present at all meetings of the Greek Council of National Defence; that the Greek Government Army is "teeming" with US officers known as liaison officers and that war is being waged with the tacit approval of the United Nations.

"The United States," Mr. Bebler told the Assembly, "is waging this war for reasons which are revealed by the building of military airports in Greece for their Flying Fortresses, the building of ports and strategic roads in the direction of the Northern frontiers of Greece."

Dr. Oscar Lange, Poland, urged the Assembly to approve his resolution calling for no discrimination in international trade. It asked all UN members to avoid the use of economic discrimination designed to apply sanctions to other countries and to influence their domestic or foreign policy.

"Economic War"

Mr. Lange said the United States is carrying on an economic cold war against Eastern countries. He said the use of economic power to influence the policies of another country is inadmissible.

Mr. Lange was supported by Mr. Vladimir Clementis, Czechoslovak Foreign Minister, and Dr. A. Arutiunian of Russia.

Dr. Arutiunian, who has attacked the ERP in long speeches to the Economic and Social Council, told the Assembly that countries which do not bow to the United States are discriminated against in trade. He said such measure sometimes boomerang.

Mr. Willard L. Thorp, U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, told the Assembly that Poland's proposal is an attempt once again to discredit the ERP and the assistance which the United States is giving to that programme.

Mr. Thorp said that some countries more or less voluntarily decided against joining ERP. They complain now that they cannot too enjoy some of the assistance from the United States, called enslavement in the new terminology which they simultaneously attack and envy.

No Dictation

Mr. Thorp and delegates of Britain and France denied that there is American dictation of the export policies of the Western European countries.

Poland demanded a roll call vote on its proposal. The U.S. France, Britain and China were among the 33 votes against the Polish move. Afghanistan, Burma, Colombia, Cuba, India, Iraq, Iran and the Philippines abstained.

Bolivia, the Dominican Republic, Equador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Iceland, Lebanon, Nicaragua, Paraguay and Venezuela were absent.—Associated Press.

Operation On Aga Khan

London, November 27

The Aga Khan is contemplating undergoing an operation for prostate trouble, according to an announcement today by his London solicitors. The announcement denied a press report that the Aga Khan was undergoing a serious operation for cancer in the bowels.

"There is no truth in this statement, which has caused our client and particularly his family unnecessary anxiety," the solicitors said, adding: "The only operation our client contemplates undergoing in one for prostate trouble which in a man of his age is comparatively common and not fraught with serious consequences."

The Aga Khan is 71.—Reuter.

DANISH PRINCE IN LONDON

London, November 27.

Prince George of Denmark arrived here by air today from Copenhagen on a private visit which will last a few days.—Reuter.

GERMAN DOCK BLOWN UP

Wilhelmshaven, November 27.

The demolition of the 80,000-ton drydock in Wilhelmshaven, the largest in Europe, about which the Germans have protested, began today when the first 35 explosive charges, totalling 40 tons, were blown up.

Over 12,000 persons had to leave their homes for the demolitions. Thirteen groups of charges were exploded at seven-minute intervals today. Twenty-two groups will be exploded tomorrow.

The British Military Governor refused a last-minute appeal from the town authorities to stop the demolition. British Navy engineers detonated the charges from shelters a mile away from the dock.—Reuter.

More Doctors Called Up

London, November 27.

More doctors and dentists are to be called up under the National Service Act.

An amendment to a bill published today proposes that doctors and dentists be liable to be called up to the age of 30 instead of 26.

The main purpose of the bill is to increase whole-time service from one year to 18 months and reduce the total period including reserve service from seven years to five and a half years.—Reuter.

NOT TO ATTEND

Budapest, November 27.

The Hungarian Foreign Ministry announced today that Hungary will not attend the United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organisation Conference in Beirut.

The Hungarian Government did not consider Beirut a suitable location for such a conference, the announcement said. It was stated that this decision would not affect Hungary's future participation in the Organisation.—Reuter.

Tragic Ending To A First Voyage

Guam, November 27.

The 594-ton motorship Santa Maria sank in heavy seas 750 miles North East of Guam on Thursday with the loss of two lives and a cargo of liquor for American occupation troops in Japan.

The U.S. Navy reported that the dead are Aaron Tallaksen, a Norwegian, and Francisco Reyes of Tijuana, Mexico. Tallaksen was killed when his head hit the Navy tug Mataco while attempting to save a fellow seaman.

The Mataco rescued 14 of the crew of 17, and the Navy Transport President Jackson, one. The officers were Americans and the remainder of the rescued crews Filipinos and Latin Americans, mostly Mexicans.

The little vessel was on the way from San Pedro, California, to Yokohama via Honolulu and Guam when high seas washed away her life rafts, stove in a main bulkhead and sank her.

She was owned by the Santa Maria Steamship Company of Reno, Nevada. Mainland advices said the Company's principal stockholder was Ted Lewin of Manila.

The vessel was built in 1926 as a luxury yacht. It was christened the Dr. Brinkley.

During the war the ship did patrol service for the Navy and finally was converted to a freighter.

"The tragic last voyage was the first after a year of inactivity.—Associated Press.

Britain Asked To Concede More

Paris, November 26.

The United States today urged Britain to make further changes in her resolution advocating the late Count Bernadotte's plan for Palestine.

Welcoming the compromise resolution Britain put before the Political Committee yesterday in an attempt to meet the United States view, Dr. Philip Jessup (United States) said that he must still insert three changes:

1. Eliminate endorsement by the General Assembly of the Bernadotte Plan.

2. Subordinate this plan to the Assembly's original partition scheme in the detailed instructions to be given to the proposed conciliation commission.

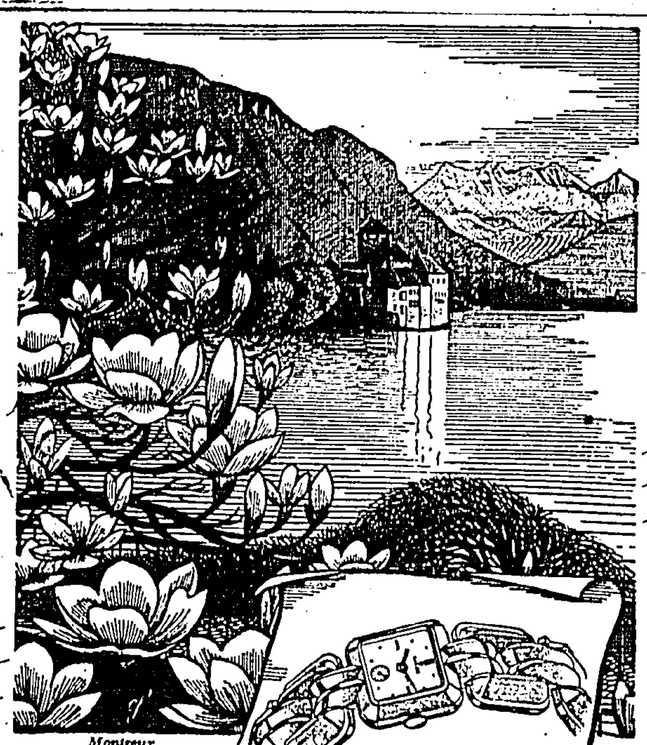
3. Free the conciliation commission from the duty of supervising the payment of compensation to Arab refugees, who do not choose to return home.

The Arabs then put their first formal proposal for the future of Palestine before the present General Assembly.

Faris Bey El Khoury, Syria, tabled a resolution providing for a single Arab-Jewish State in Palestine, with guarantees for the minorities.

The resolution provided for the despatch to Palestine a five-nation commission charged with studying on the spot and preparing for a single Palestine State, on a cantonal or federal basis.

The resolution finally provided that the General Assembly should declare the Jews to be foreign refugees who have no right to appropriate part of a country against the wishes of its legal inhabitants.—Reuter.



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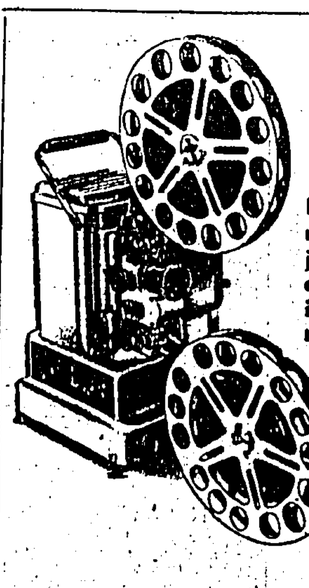

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People Around The Baby

It is pretty calm up at the Palace now. All the talks about doctors, and engaging Nannies, and cots and prams and layettes, and so on, have died down.

Relatives have thrown in a word or two of advice here and there, as relatives always do; and one can be quite sure that that fine old lady, the future great-grandmother, Queen Mary, has drawn upon her vast store of knowledge and experience.

Parents Proud

The King and Queen, like any other father and mother whose elder daughter is having her first baby, are a little excited and proud.

I was not at all surprised to hear that the King discontinued the practice of sending for the Secretary on these occasions. He is essentially a family man at heart, and has always felt that at these times, at least, even a Royal Family is entitled to be by themselves for a while. He disliked the antiquated custom when his own daughters were born. He himself, one gathers, set rather a precedent at his own birth at Sandringham in 1895. No Cabinet Minister was present, for the simple reason that the Home Secretary's train was late.

In Charge

The Princess could hardly have been in more capable hands than those of Sir William Gilliatt, who is president of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists.

A married man, in fact a grandfather, he rather prefers to attend the confinements of women he has himself brought into the world, thought he did not attend the birth of Princess Elizabeth. He has been associated a good deal with King's College and the Middlesex Hospitals, and is, incidentally, consulting gynaecologist to the ATS.

In appearance he is tall and spare, with shaggy, rather pointed eyebrows, and an extremely quiet manner. Some people, in fact, describe him as almost taciturn, and in marked contrast to Sir John Weir, who is in charge of the Princess's general health.

Sir John, who is Physician to the King, and has been for years, is one of those jovial, kindly, though blunt men. Glasgow born, he took his degree at the university there, and has the distinction of being the first homœopath to be appointed a royal physician.

Squarely built, with white moustache, he is about, 69, and though he may beam cheerfully through his spectacles at his patients he has actually a reputation for being rather severe with them.

In fact, he put the Duke of Windsor on a pretty awkward diet in 1923, banning him from smoking cigars, among other things, and cutting down his cigarette ration to four a day.

He is strongly in favour of business men doing exercises in their own homes every day, and installed in his own home at least two machines, one of which gave the "rider" the sensations of being mounted on a camel, while the second pummelled him all over his body.

He attended the Duchess of Gloucester at the births of her

By John Bingham

sons in 1941 and 1944. In 1939 he was critically ill and was operated upon by Sir Lancelot Barrington-Ward.

The Midwife

Assisting Sir William Gilliatt was Mr. John Peel, a Harley-street obstetrician, who is, among other things, gynaecologist to King's College Hospital and the Princess Beatrice Hospital. He is also consulting gynaecologist to the Borough of Lambeth, to the Queen Victoria Hospital, East Grinstead, and to the Norwood Cottage Hospital.

In 1943 he wrote a book called "A Textbook of Gynaecology."

The anaesthetist was Dr. Vernon Frederick Hall, who lives in Alleyn-park, Dulwich, and, like Sir William Gilliatt, is also closely associated with King's College Hospital; he was once resident anaesthetist there, and is now honorary anaesthetist to the hospital. In fact, King's College, possibly as a result of Sir William's own association, is pretty well represented at the great event. Dr. Hall is also consulting anaesthetist to Southend General Hospital, among others, and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine.

Assisting the doctors was Miss H. M. Rowe, a calm, cheerful women with finely cut, regular features. She lives normally in London, in Camden-road.

After training as a nurse at King's College Hospital, Denmark-hill, she took her midwife's training at Middlesex Hospital, became interested in maternity work, and returned to King's College Hospital to specialise. She attended the Duchess of Kent when Prince Michael was brought into the world and is thus no stranger to the Royal Family.

And Nannies

The Princess has chosen two Scottish lassies as Nannies. One is Miss Helen Lightbody, who will be with the child at least until the walking stage. She used to be with the Duchess of Gloucester's children. Princess Elizabeth saw her with them, and liked the way she handled them. She is an Edinburgh woman.

The other nurse is 22-year-old Miss Mabel Anderson, daughter of a policeman who was killed on duty during the 1941 blitz on Liverpool. After the death of her father she and her mother and sister moved to Elgin, Longmuir, where she took a two-year course in domestic science at the Elgin Girls' Technical School.

She has worked with Mrs. Lesley Shiach, of Elgin, and also with a London family. She has a charming and delightful manner, and Mrs. Shiach described her once as the "perfect nurse."

Superb Robe

The cradle is the one which was used for Princess Elizabeth herself, and, after her, by Princess Margaret.

Like the pram, which was also used by the Princesses, it has been repainted and retrimmed. It stands on an iron frame, painted cream, and has been trimmed with of a delicate peach colour. Peach-coloured net curtains hang at the head, and the elderdown, net-covered, is of the same hue.

When the nurses prepare the baby for the Christening they will probably use the superb christening robe, of Brussels applique lace, in which most of Queen Victoria's descendants were christened, including George V, the Duke of Windsor, Princess Elizabeth, and Princess Margaret.

The ceremony will, of course, be performed by the Archbishop of Canterbury, as the head of the Church of England—probably with water from the Jordan.

General Belief

It is unlikely that the ceremony will be in London, but will probably take place at Windsor or Sandringham. Wherever it takes place, it will be strictly private and confined to members of the Royal Family.

In general charge of the baby's food when the Princess moves into her own home will be another Scot, Miss E. McGrigor, whom the Princess has chosen to be her housekeeper. She was formerly on the domestic staff at Balmoral, and looked after the royal couple on their honeymoon at Birkhall. The housekeeper at the Palace, Miss Fergusson, likewise hails from north of the Tweed.

As Washington Saw It

EIRE, THE WAR, AND THE U.S.

In 1944, when D-Day was approaching, the United States contemplated using economic sanctions against Eire, because Mr. de Valera refused to expel the Axis diplomatic representatives from Dublin.

This is disclosed by Mr. Cordell Hull, who was for 12 years Secretary of State, (Foreign Secretary) in the Governments of President Roosevelt, in his "Memoirs," published today (Hodder and Stoughton, two volumes, 50s.)

American relations with Southern Ireland during the war form one of the most interesting chapters. He says these relations were coloured by anti-British feeling on the part of Eire's leaders.

In 1940 America supplied 20,000 rifles to the Irish Army. In 1941 the Irish Minister for Defence, General Frank Aiken, arrived in America to purchase arms, munitions, and ships.

Aiken was strongly anti-British. The American Minister in Dublin, Mr. Gray, wrote to Washington that the Aiken Mission was being exploited by the Irish Government to arouse anti-British sentiment and to indicate American approval of Irish policy.

Mr. Hull himself saw Aiken and pointed out that Hitler was a world enemy, and he adds: "General Aiken had practically no comment to make."

Later Mr. Hull offered de Valera two merchant ships to carry food to Ireland. He took the opportunity to point out that 'Ireland's future security and safety depended inevitably upon Britain's triumph," and that if the Irish Government thought otherwise there could be no fruitful co-operation with the United States.

No Aid Unless . . .

Furthermore, the U.S. would send Britain and other countries resisting aggression all her surplus war material. She would,

By GEORGE MURRAY

send none to Eire until that country was ready to show a more co-operative attitude towards the war effort of these nations.

The two merchant ships were made available, but later were sunk by German submarines.

In 1942 American troops landed in Northern Ireland. Mr. de Valera immediately protested. The American Government were informed that Eire believed that American troops were going to be used to attack Irish forces.

Soothing reassurances were sent from Washington.

Roosevelt said: "If he (de Valera) would only come out of the clouds and quit talking about the quarter of a million Irishmen ready to fight if they had the weapons, we would all have a higher regard for him."

In 1943 America tried to get the use of the Irish ports, but without success, though President Roosevelt had written in a memorandum:

"We are losing many American and British lives and many ships in carrying various supplies to Ireland without receiving anything in return, and without so much as a 'Thank you.'"

More Ships Refused

Later Eire wanted to buy two more merchant ships to replace those which had been sunk. The American Government refused because the Irish Government had permitted the first two to be lost without one word of protest to Germany.

In 1944 America asked de Valera to expel the Axis missions in Dublin because of the opportunity afforded for spying. Again de Valera refused, and economic sanctions against Ireland were proposed.

The question was put to Mr. Churchill who was in favour of taking security measures without adopting measures of coercion which would harm Ireland.

He thought the best way was to "let fear work its healthy process" in Dublin, and thus to obtain a stiffening of Irish measures to prevent a leakage of information of the forthcoming invasion of Europe.

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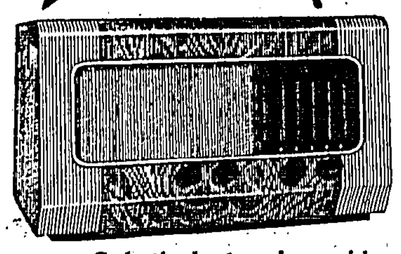

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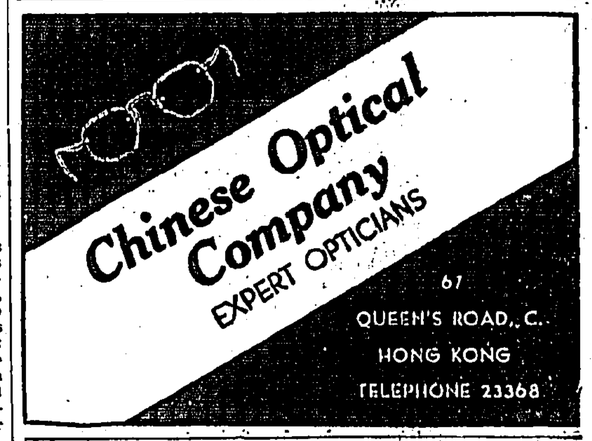

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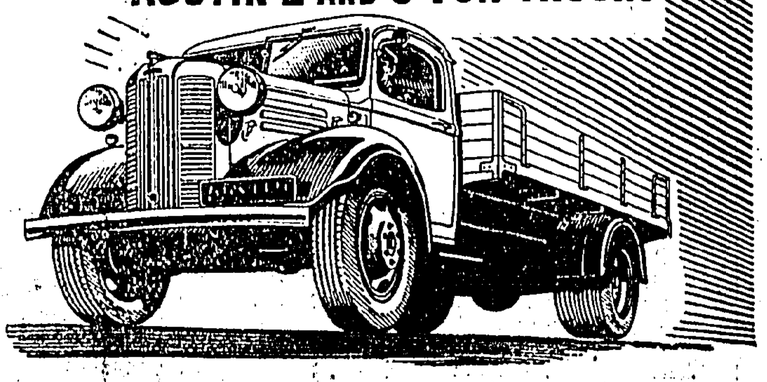

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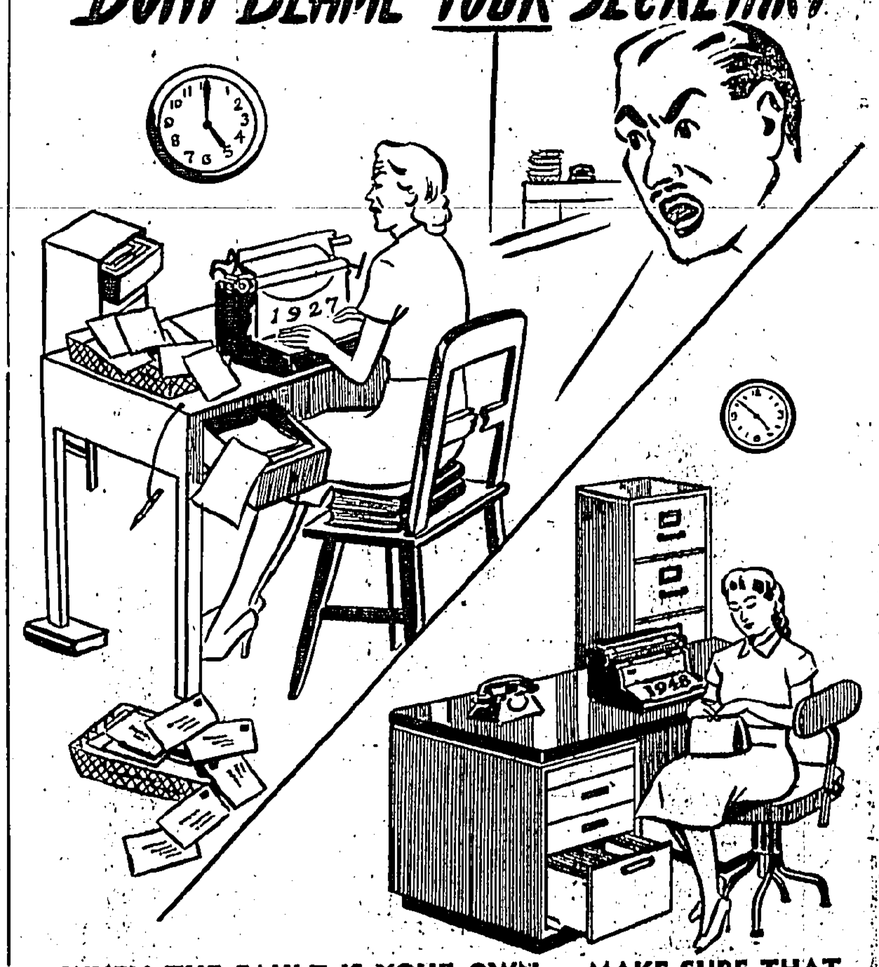

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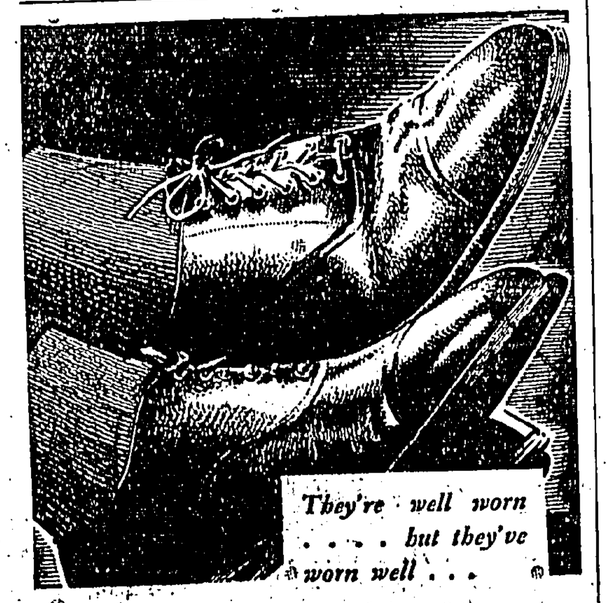

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COTTON AND JAPAN

HER TEXTILES AND THE WORLD MARKETS

From Richard Hughes, who has just visited Osaka, inspected cotton textile mills and talked with Japanese cotton spinners. U.S. Military Government officials and visiting Lancashire textile authorities.

Osaka: No Japanese textile-spinner can speak to you without a catch in his throat or a tear in his eye.

Prices are impossible. Wages are soaring. The cruel Americans are heartlessly strangling the industry with controls and dismembering the hapless corpse with deconcentration laws. The mills are denied sufficient spindles. The permissible spindles are denied sufficient cotton. The best executives have been purged. Bottlenecks obstruct the supply of electric power, coal and oil. And so on.

There is a grain of truth in each of these pathetic complaints. Yet the overall picture which they present is distorted and dishonest nonsense.

Despite the terrific setbacks suffered during the war, the Japanese textile industry has achieved an astonishing comeback.

Illogically enough, the Japanese themselves, in bemoaning their difficulties, direct attention to this resilience by the stress they lay on their wartime losses.

The "Big Ten" cotton spinning firms claim that, during the war, compulsory seizure of plant and equipment by the Japanese Army and destruction by air raids reduced the pre-war total of 12 or 14 million spindles to 2.7 million spindles.

In brave new democratic mood, the spinners sometimes appear to suggest that their losses in seizure of plant and scrapping of machinery at the hands of their warlords entitle them to equal ranking with the United Nations.

Ingenuousness

There is magnificent ingenuousness in their forbearing complaint about the damage to Japanese textile plant in China caused by the aggressive Chinese: "If the loss of the textile mills in China and other parts of the Orient is added, the damage suffered by the Japanese spinning companies in Japan would be still greater, because in China alone the Japanese operated some 3.4 million spindles which were destroyed by fighting with the Chinese."

Strong and persuasive resistance is also being offered to Occupation proposals for splitting the major spinning firms into separate rayon, silk, cotton or woollen units.

Deconcentration laws have already stripped the "Big Ten" spinning firms of associated, subsidiary, non-textile industrial activities and compelled them to concentrate solely on textile spinning. This anti-monopoly move has been accepted with hearty hypocrisy as a fine democratic reform.

But the further breaking-up process which would forbid unified management by one firm of more than one variety of textile spinning has met vigorous opposition.

Deconcentration

The Spinning Association argues plausibly that such a policy would discourage bank credits, depreciate the efficiency of labour and management, lower quality and weaken the whole structure of the textile interests.

"The improvement of spinning and weaving technique," the Association claims, "has been largely due to the concurrent production system practised in the spinning companies, which greatly contributed to the development of the textile industry as a whole.

"Blended spinning and mixed weaving will remain important in Japan on account of the conditions peculiar to the textile industry of this country, but opportunities for consolidated research would end with dismemberment and, consequently, progressive improvement in these fields could not be expected any longer."

The spinners' representations have been conveyed to the Japanese Government, which will almost certainly—and, it would seem, successfully—appeal to the Occupation for removal of these latest deconcentration proposals.

Stocks of cotton fabrics for export at the beginning of 1948 totalled 30 million sq. yards. Of the officially planned production for 1948 of approximately 770 million lb. of yarn and 480 million lb. of piece goods, 381 million lb. of yarn and 289 million lb. of piece goods, it is expected, will be exported.

"The present spindle capacity is adequate for scheduled production," reports the official Occupation Textile Information Bulletin this week, "but wider looms are being rehabilitated to meet the export market demands for wider fabrics."

The Japanese are reconciled to extensive changes in export textile markets.

Before the war, Japan's main export markets were China, Malaya, the near East, Africa and South America.

But China now has 1,750,000 Government-owned spindles and 2,710,000 privately owned spindles; India has 10 million spindles with ample resources of raw cotton; and South American countries are expanding their textile plants.

Limited Scale

However, Japan still expects to be able compete for markets in Southeast Asia and Indonesia, and, on a limited scale, in her former markets.

"While main markets for post-war Japan are sterling bloc countries, exports to dollar bloc countries must be increased to acquire funds for raw cotton imports," says the governor of the Bank of Japan, which has advanced heavy loans to the cotton textile industry.

"If this does not materialise, import of Indian cotton must be increased to balance trade accounts with sterling areas."

There are also reports that Japanese textile interests have made undercover approaches to Egyptian and Indian raw cotton exporters, suggesting that these exporters invest capital, in a cartel-like partnership, in Japanese cotton textile mills, sharing management and profits.

Such a proposition was made by Kanematsu, the great Japanese woollen textile house, to Australian interests, but was rejected.

It is understood here that Indian and Egyptian interests would be far more sympathetic, although Occupation approval for such a set up is more than doubtful.

Lancashire traders, here to appraise the market, agree that Japanese gray-cloth, selling at the sterling equivalent of 23 cents a yard (compared with 20 cents in USA,) is still of relatively poor competitive quality, but is steadily improving under the influence of American help and ideas in technique.

Footnote

One trader with long experience of the West African textile market added a provocative footnote:

"The Americans are also picking up textile ideas from the Japanese—on export technique.

"Previously the Americans didn't worry about export of cotton textiles and they were uninterested in and ignorant of foreign marketing technique.

"The Japanese, on the other hand, knew all the tricks of the trade in the export business.

"Now the Japanese are learning improved technical methods from the Americans and the Americans are learning improved export technique from the Japanese."

Behind The Political Scene

MR. DEWEY IS POLITICALLY DEAD

By ALASTAIR FORBES

Little more than 24 hours after the death of President Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman held his first Press Conference as Chief Executive.

On that occasion he asked the assembled Washington correspondents if any of them had ever had a "load of hay or a bull" fall on top of them; for only thus could he describe his sensations of sudden shock and fearful surprise.

Those correspondents had to wait until the 1948 election in order to experience a similar jolt. All over America and indeed throughout the world the political commentators and publicists are licking the wounds which the result inflicted upon their self-esteem.

It is Mr. Truman's turn to laugh now. And he has certainly earned his revenge. For we were out to bury him and not to praise him. "The character-assassins" he had called us, not without justification, since many even of those who still hoped for a Republican defeat had not refrained from slinging mud at the Democratic candidate. But none of the mud seemed to stick, save that which we are now busily wiping from our own eyes.

Party Politician

Blushingly re-reading the first confident predictions of a Dewey victory which I cabled to this newspaper from the Republican Convention at Philadelphia last July, I am moved to misquote one of Kipling's songs from "Rewards and Fairies."

"If you're off to Philadelphia in the morning.

You mustn't take my stories for a guide.

There's little left, indeed, of the city you have read of,

And all the folk I wrote about have died."

For Mr. Dewey is politically as dead as can be; deader, if you like, than we had recently believed Mr. Truman to be.

In his pre-Convention campaign and, above all, at Philadelphia itself Mr. Dewey showed himself to be a consummate party politician.

Everything pointed to a Republican landslide. Therefore, all he had to do was to capture the machine and the nomination in order to be wafted to the White House. Or so he thought, along with the rest of us.

Mr. Truman's fortunes were then at their lowest ebb. His party was split and his own nomination secured only in the most humiliating circumstances. None of his supporters believed in his chances of getting back to the White House. Their best hopes were confined to obtaining control of the Senate and holding their own in the House of Representatives. Mr. Truman agreed to campaign in loyal and selfless pursuance of these limited party objectives.

The country had been sounded by Dr. Gallup's latest gadgets, and its opinion seemed clear enough; after 16 years it wanted a change.

Robot Electorate

AMERICANS respect their gadgets, and no journalist or politician says Mr. Truman cared to trust his instinct against the verdict of Roper's robot electorate. (The great columnists, Arthur Krock, the Alsops, and Lippmann will now have to mend their ways. It will boot them nothing to write like angels or archangels if they are to prophesy like poor pollsters.)

Mr. Dewey surveyed this scene. Mr. Roper had elected him President, so he would pretend to be one. His hands were not to be soiled in the dust of the arena: they were to be kept free and unfettered for the tasks of good clean government next January. Well, they are still free for those tasks—in New York State.

The fact is that Mr. Dewey was willing to go out after the nomination the hard way, but unwilling to do the same for the Presidency. Deliberately, it must be presumed, he almost scorned to campaign. Perhaps he was afraid of becoming too involved in the doubtful records of some of the Republicans of the 80th Congress.

Whatever his reasons, there will be no forgiveness forthcoming for him from members of his party, who may themselves be forgiven for showing some of Dewey's own temper in this matter.

"You wanted to drive our train," they will say. "We gave you the controls. You had a clear track ahead of you. And all you do is to lose a lot of steam and then back the train into the crowd. This is the first time we've had a lunatic for the driver of the Republican train."

Nevertheless, it must not be forgotten that the election was an extremely close one, with a low poll. The over-confidence which assisted Dewey's gaining of the nomination contributed to his defeat in the polling-booths.

Plank by plank, there were few major differences in the two platforms, whatever the exalted Socialist commentators in this country now choose to say. But Mr. Truman shouted forth his policy, while Mr. Dewey was content to let his be inferred.

There are only very superficial reasons to see in the result a reflection or confirmation of the great sentimental Leftward swing in this country in 1945. But there are, nevertheless, one or two points which require careful notice.

It was Mr. Bernard Baruch, the great older statesman of America and a lifelong Democrat, who told me that he believed that the Republicans were, despite the overwhelming swing in their favour, showing the greatest unwisdom in refusing to face boldly the problems of price controls and inflation.

For long Mr. Truman himself neglected this vital political and economic issue. But in his fantastic final campaign he tackled it for all he was worth. Mr. Baruch was perfectly right. For these were the problems which were the burning concern of the great mass of the American people.

Depression Party

THEY could not feel certain that the Republican Party, still associated in thir minds with the Great Depression, could save them from the perils of an uncontrolled inflation.

But Mr. Truman's greatest triumph was to keep Labour united behind him. For this again he had the 80th Congress to thank. Although the Taft-Hartley Act was in many ways a contribution to the reduction of stoppages in American production, it had roused Labour to vindictive anger.

The President's veto was gratefully remembered. Every candidate who had opposed the Bill got back to Congress Mr. Dewey's promise that the Act would be "altered and improved counted for nothing. But the Labour vote alone was not the decisive factor.

Mr. Truman will have to seek to redeem his pledges to Labour, yes; but he will not be exclusively in his debt. Indeed he must use his influence to explain to the leaders of the C.I.O. and the A.F.L. the true purpose of the American bipartisan policy in Europe which they are pledged to support, and to prevent any further disastrous interventions by Mr. John L. Lewis in favour of Soviet sponsored strikes against the Marshall Plan.

Nothing must be allowed to interfere with the most immediately satisfactory result of Mr. Truman's re-election, which is the possibility of accelerating the conclusion of an Atlantic Pact for the safety of the free world.

Truman A Fighter

I HAVE so far said nothing of the personal issues involved in the election. Mr. Dewey never inspired affection or sympathy, and secured admiration only for his administrative ability. Mr. Truman has won increased affection even from his worst mistakes.

William Jennings Bryan said of another successful Democratic candidate that "he is making friends because he *fights*. People like a fighter." Mr. Truman has shown that he can fight and that he can win. He won without the help of those sections of the electorate whose votes he sought by methods which undermined the structure of the policy forged by his best advisers.

He won without the votes of the appeasers of Russia, without the votes of reactionary Southerners or Isolationists, without the votes of the more violent Jews. He is free to turn his back on the deals and subterfuges with which he once sought to bolster his party.

Owing nothing to bosses or millionaires, he is free to redeem at least one of his adversary's pledges, which was to put able and honest men into government. "The President," wrote Woodrow Wilson, "is at liberty, both in law and in conscience, to be as big a man as he can," and Franklin Roosevelt later wrote that the "Presidency is pre-eminently a place of moral leadership."

Mr. Truman has now sought and secured the role which was thrust upon him in 1945. "I believe with all my heart and soul," he said the other day, "that God has intended the United States to lead the world to peace."

Yet we shall not see that peace unless the United States provides leadership far stronger and clearer than that displayed by Mr. Truman during his first three years in the White House.

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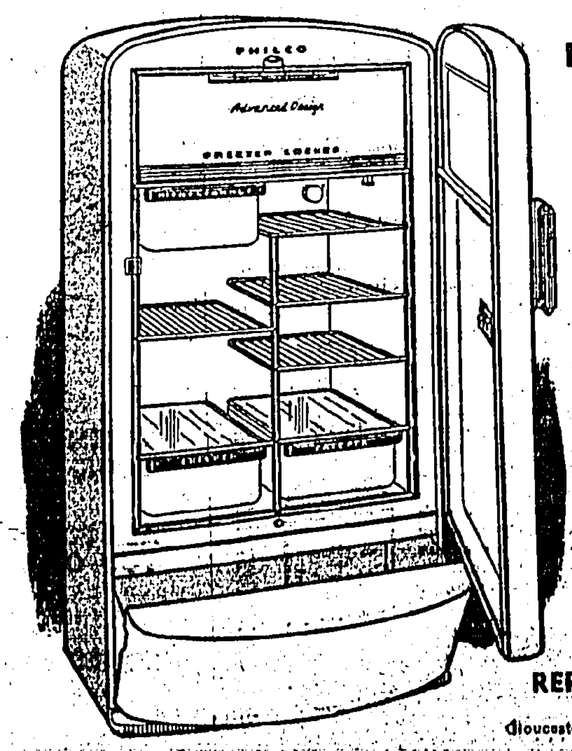

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If War Broke Out Tomorrow, This Is What Would Happen

New York, November 27.

Suppose you woke up tomorrow morning and found that Britain and the United States were at war with Russia. What would be likely to happen?

A man who is an expert on aviation speculated on that question. He is Major Alexander De Seversky, a graduate of the Imperial Russian Naval Academy and military aeronautical school and a former Russian naval officer.

Seversky became an outstanding America aeronautical inventor and consultant and founder of what now is the Republic Aviation Corporation.

Major Seversky said that provided Russia's huge army is not a myth it immediately would occupy all of Europe except Great Britain. The U.S. long range strategic air force would begin blasting Russia with atom and possibly rocket-propelled TNT bombs from England and even America.

The skies above England would be filled with dog fights as British fighters rose to defend the inland bomber bases from the swarms of Russian tactical aircraft.

And Fortresses of Russian fighters would buzz like hornets through Soviet skies to defend fields and factories from American bombers.

Seversky said America has two bombers capable of a round trip to Russia from bases on the American mainland.

Kamakaze Raids

Asked if these bombers could reach any part of Russia, he replied: "Definitely they could hit the industrial heart of Russia from American shores. But unfortunately, we have only a few of them."

"These long-range bombers are the B-36 and the B-45.

Does Russia have a bomber with sufficient range to strike the United States mainland?

"We know that Russia has in mind production of a version of the B-29 which can reach any part of our country from bases in Russia in one way, Kamakaze style, suicide attacks. But whether they have bombers with sufficient range to bomb our cities and return to Russia, we have no information."

How would the atomic bomb fit in the picture?

"Possession of the atom bomb is a tremendous advantage provided you have a superior air force and can attain the right-of-way over enemy skies," said Seversky. "But many targets are impervious to the blast of atomic bombs and require a direct hit for demolition. On these targets a TNT bomb of new design, perhaps rocket propelled, may have to be used."

Russian Advantages

Russia would have three advantages at the outset of a European war, Seversky said.

1. It has an overwhelming land army that could occupy all of Europe except the British Isles.

2. The Eurasian land mass being completely self-contained makes a blockade impossible, which would reduce our navies to minor roles.

3. Russia has a superior tactical air force in numbers for close-range bombardment, defence and army co-operation.

"We know that Russia has a large number of jet fighters with speeds above 600 miles an hour, Seversky said.

Russia never stopped production of a tactical air force. Eastern Germany has been converted to production of jet fighters for Russia at a rate far higher than for Hitler, he added.

Quantity First

"In 1945 I examined factories at Halle which had manufactured parts ready to assemble 3,000 fighters of the ME-262 twin-jet type.

"After falling into the hands of the Russians, I am sure they were not sold for war surplus."

"Russia concentrated on a terrific tactical air force because it always emphasised quantity and because, although "it requires a great deal of courage and personal skill on the part of the individual pilot, a tactical force does not require as much technical training of its personnel as does a long-range bombardment force," he said.

"Russia stopped the German armour simply by suffocating it with corps of men, some of them armed only with bayonets, some of them Cossacks on horses," Seversky said.

"The same employment of mass numbers could be expected of its tactical air force. She always placed confidence in mass support of troops by artillery. Now this emphasis undoubtedly will be thrown to aircraft.

RAF's Role

America should concentrate on its strategic air force, now the best in the world, said Seversky.

"Russia's version of the B-29 may have a striking radius of about 2,500 miles. This performance is nearly doubled by our B-36 and B-45 which are capable of a striking radius close to 5,000 miles.

"As to the new jet bombers, Russia possesses a jet bomber with a range of 4,000 miles, or a striking radius of 1,000 miles. I am afraid that we haven't got anything much better than that."

Britain's air force is equally as good as the American, Seversky said. "Britain must concentrate on fighters, and we on bombers."

Britain is reasonably safe as an air base not only because it is separated from the mainland by water but because "it has the industrial capacity to regenerate its military strength, and if it maintains control of its air it cannot be invaded."

Invasion Problem

Re-invasion of the Continent would not be possible until Russian aircraft have been driven from the sky.

In defence, Russia would rely primarily on the use of jet fighter force and would try to offset by sheer numbers the deficiency in radar and ground defences, Seversky said.

"The American problem would be to absorb the Russian air force in the air, and destroy ground installations and factories. We could not re-invade Europe except under friendly skies," he said.

Then came the big question.

"How long would it take to knock out Russia?"

"That would depend on our own aerial punch, and Russia's defence," Seversky said. "We might find penetration not as simple as some think. And, contrary to the hysterical notion in some quarters, atomic warfare may last years instead of hours." —United Press.

Largest Gun In The World

Washington, November 26.

The U.S. Navy today said it had built the largest gun in the world to fire 2,000-pound bombs and guided missile warheads at supersonic speed.

The gun is a 24-inch test gun converted from a war-damaged 16-inch battleship gun. From a distance of 60 feet the gun shoots bombs and warheads at concrete and armour-plate targets to determine the effect of their impact.

The Navy said it had no plans to build any more as the gun is strictly a test weapon.—United Press.

Speed-Up Of Funds For ERP

Washington, November 27.

President Truman today approved a speed-up in the spending of funds for European recovery.

In a letter to Mr. Paul G. Hoffman, the Economic Co-operation Administrator, Mr. Truman said the $4,000,000,000 appropriated by Congress for the Marshall Plan can be expended by April 2. It was supposed to last until July 1.

Mr. Hoffman said recovery had gone well and it was best to push it as fast as possible.

The Presidential press secretary, Mr. Charles G. Ross, said he did not know for sure whether the speed-up move applied to China as well as Europe. That was in response to questions from reporters.

The ECA programme provided $400,000,000 for China, hard-pressed by the Communists.

The speed-up was announced near the close of a day during which the President reviewed foreign affairs with his Cabinet. —Associated Press.

Bikini Report To Be Kept Secret

Washington, November 26.

The official report on the Bikini atomic bomb tests is being withheld from the public on the recommendation of the Defence Secretary, Mr. James Forrestal.

The reason given for the suppression is its probable effect upon national security.

The report is now in President Truman's hands. It was drafted a year and a half ago by the Evaluation Board which witnessed the test for the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Before going to the White House, the report was sent to the Atomic Energy Commission for security clearance.

In a memo to the press, the National military establishment said the Evaluation Board's report, edited for publication, was submitted to Secretary Forrestal with the comment of the Joint Chiefs of Staff that certain recommendations it contained were outside their province of purely military assessment.

The military establishment did not say what the recommendations were that the Joint Chiefs did not consider to be in their province.

But it added that, after consultation with the State Department, Mr. Forrestal forwarded the report to the President with the recommendation that it be withheld from publication for the present, because of the probable effect upon national security. —United Press.

Malaya Rubber Production

Singapore, November 27.

Rubber production on Malaya plantations of less than 100 acres dropped sharply in October. Production on large estates remained steady.

October production of small holdings was 16,347 tons compared with 30,910 tons in September. Estates production totaled 34,200 in October against 33,292 tons.

The grand total for the first ten months was 577,021 tons.—Associated Press.

NEW ECA GRANTS

Washington, November 27.

The Economic Co-operation Administration allocated $25,301,014 in new foreign aid grants today.

Included in the total was $3,100,000 to cover purchase in Japan of products for Indonesia. Nipponese products will include textiles, cordage and twine.—Associated Press.

YOUR ONLY "DEFENCE" AGAINST ATOM BOMB

Washington, November 25.

There are two absolute "defences" against the atomic bomb—time and space.

Even if an enemy gets the atomic bomb and uses it against Britain or the United States, many millions still will be individually safe, thanks to space.

The bomb is no continent wrecker. At Bikini, persons aboard ships only nine miles from the burst felt only a slight thump. At a distance of two miles, the chances of direct injury would have been fairly slight.

Even the latest thing in atomic bombs—improved weapons tested at Eniwetok last spring—can kill and destroy directly over a distance of no more than three miles. But within that three-mile radius no human thing, animal or insect, would be safe. Many persons would survive without injury but none could absolutely count on it.

Assume the target is a city of 1,000,000 and the bomb goes off at 2,500 feet—the altitude from which it can do most damage to the greatest area. The Office of Civil Defence Planning says the "total numbers of fatal and non-fatal casualties" would number about 100,000.

One thousand would never know the bomb exploded because they died instantly. Another thousand may think they survived without injury because they felt no wound.

Triple Threat

But the atomic bomb is not just a bomb. It is a triple threat weapon, killing with blast, fire and poison. In all three categories the word for it is "super."

In the split millionth of a second while the detonation lasts, it floods the target with blinding light and a killing multi-million degree heat. Quickly following comes a crushing shock wave and a 1,000-mile per hour wind. A white hot fireball expanding from the crater of burst ignites everything inflammable which it touches.

In the first split second deeply penetrating neutron and gamma rays from a few pounds of splitting atoms at the bomb's centre flash in all directions. Thousands of persons far enough away to escape death by blast or flash or fire would die of "ionising" radiation which unlocks the bonds that hold the atoms together in the living tissue of the body's deep interior.

Can Be Saved

Statisticians say that of 100,000 casualties, 40,000 would be fatal, half of whom would be killed outright and the other half later by radiation sickness. There would be 60,000 non-fatal casualties with 20,000 serious cases in the first week and others developing over a period of three weeks.

Peculiarly, atomic casualties are those caused by radiation. Persons not killed outright sicken in three to 21 days.

The victims may be saved if the radiation dosage is not too great. Whole blood, penicillin and anti-haemorrhage drugs like rutin may help.

Many persons in the area would escape because they would be likely to be accidentally shielded by a concrete wall or other shelter from the neutron and gamma radiation.

Civilian defence planners, apparently basing calculations on known effects of the wartime bomb instead of the newer Eniwetok model, say casualties generally would be distributed as follows:

(1) Within 500 yards of the target centre, practically everybody be killed immediately by radiation and the blast and burned and collapsing buildings.

(2) Between 500 and 1,000 yards, fatalities would only be 100 per cent with deaths occurring at various times within three weeks of the burst with radiation the main cause of death in this area.

Water Danger

(3) Between 1,000 and 1,500 yards, half of the people would die with poison as the chief killers.

(4) Between 1,500 and 2,500 yards, the fatalities would be about 15 per cent.

(5) Between 2,500 and 3,000 yards, not more than one or two per cent would be fatalities, mostly from burns or "die of effects of the blast."

(6) Beyond 3,000 yards, there would be be relatively few injuries.

These computations relate only to an air burst. But should an enemy elect to burst an atomic bomb in the harbour, drenching the area with water and spray, many experts believe the resulting lingering radio-activity would no poison the region it could practically never be made save for rehabilitation.—United Press.

HOODED MEN SENTENCED

Paris, November 26.

Sentences varying from four months to life imprisonment with hard labour were passed today on 27 members of the Cagoule (Hooded Men), a French Fascist organisation accused of arms traffic, terrorism and murder.

Eleven others were acquitted. Twenty of the accused were sentenced to terms ranging from four months to five years but were bound over on probation for the period of the sentences.—Reuter.

THREAT OVER

Paris, November 26.

The French Dockers Federation and a Government representative today reached broad agreement for the settlement of the dispute which threatened a nationwide dock strike.

The Federation will consult local port delegates on the terms of the agreement before meeting the Government representative again tomorrow morning.—Reuter.

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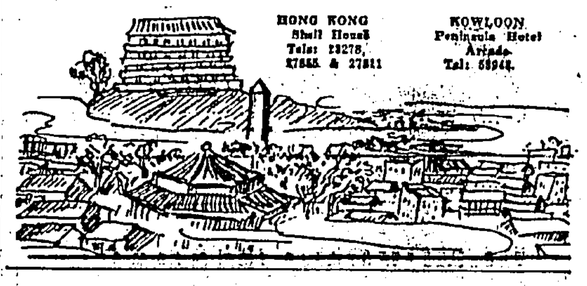

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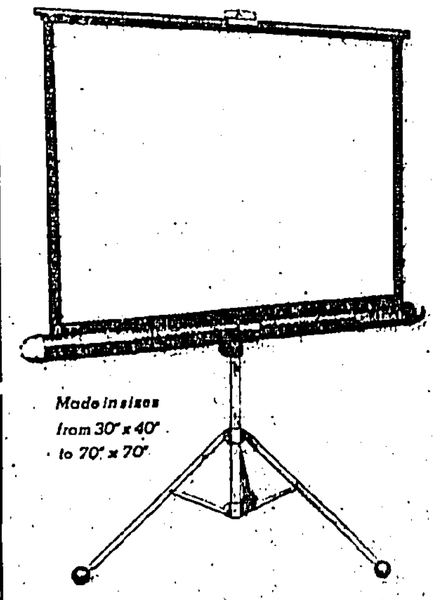

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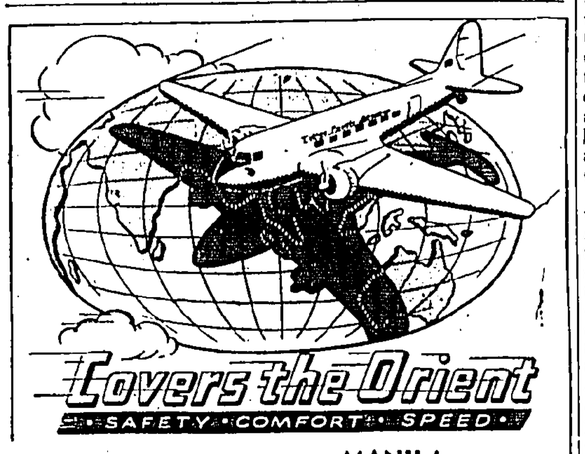

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WHEELER — EVANS—The engagement is announced of Priscilla Muriel, eldest daughter of Mrs. Wheeler and the late H.G.K. Wheeler to Kenneth, only son of Mr. G.A. Evans and the late Mrs. Evans of Barnton, Cheshire, England.

THE SINKING SHIP

There is world-wide speculation on the subject of America's future attitude to China. Hong Kong has a special interest in the matter. For generations it was to Britain that menaced and insolvent nations turned, but the intervention of two disastrous wars has placed the United States in the position of guardian and adviser of the free nations.

This is a new role for the people of that energetic and productive country, and many of them still shy at the responsibility. Its citizens are no longer isolationist, but are as divergent in their views as their racial backgrounds would lead one to suppose. While admiring the willingness of the American taxpayer to pay over astronomical sums for aid to war-ruined nations overseas, few thinking observers are under any illusion that, from the State Department's point of view, this is an act of sheer altruism. It is the intelligent banker subsidising his needy acquaintances until they can get on their feet again.

Nevertheless, from the viewpoint of the ordinary American citizen—or rather, the many viewpoints—certain results are expected from this vast outpouring of wealth, which has hit the man in the street, not only in direct taxation, but in the inflationary rise in the cost of food and consumer goods generally in his own land. He expects his contributed funds to be used, and used efficiently, to rehabilitate economies and defeat the world-wide bogey of Communism. To him, China is a place very far away, which before the war he thought of mainly as a source of good laundrymen, who came from a mysterious Oriental region of bowing mandarins and smiling sing-song girls. There did not exist the same contact and association that there was with Europe.

Now it is being brought to their consciousness that China may be more important in the undeclared battle with Moscow than even Germany, Italy or France. The whole of the Far East is now under the shadow of the hammer and sickle as the Red armies sweep towards the Yangtse, driving back the disaffected troops of Chiang's corrupt regime. So once again America is a babel of conflicting voices—almost all wanting the defeat of the Communists, but unwilling to pour further millions down the drain of waste, corruption and squeeze.

Further, it is now suggested that even the financial might of present-day America may be unable to stand further grants to China, in view of its European commitments, and some observers would prefer to see ERP lapse—despite the resultant chaos in Britain, France, Italy and elsewhere—if by so doing effective aid could be given to China. But there are many pressure groups in Washington with ideas on the subject as conflicting as the four winds.

It is this atmosphere that Madame Chiang Kai-shek will face if her currently suggested visit to the United States materialises. The sullen opposition in some quarters is unlikely to daunt that remarkable woman. She already has many friends in America, whose people are always stirred by an outstanding personality, especially feminine, and even more so when an effective case can be made for her as representative of a harrowed and bewildered nation with its back to the wall. It is just possible, therefore, that the most famous of the Soong sisters may wrest further assistance from Washington—but whether that assistance can come in time, or whether it could be put to the desired use by Nanking is a matter on which there can be justifiable dubiety.

HOW TO WAGE COLD WAR AND WIN

By LT.-GENERAL SIR GIFFARD MARTEL

There is now general agreement that the Western nations must bestir themselves and prepare to back their words with deeds. To do this they require to raise something like 20 full-strength Regular divisions between them for use in Germany if need be.

The raising of these forces is neither a difficult nor an expensive undertaking, but there is not a day to lose.

If this is *not* done Russia will strengthen and extend her hold in Europe with very serious result to ourselves later on. If it is done the present trouble in Berlin can be very rapidly cleared up and Western Germany consolidated.

No Cause For War

It is extremely unlikely that these actions would cause war now. For what is not at all unlikely is that Russia is making her plans for a great war in about five years' time, when she will possess the atom bomb and the other terrible weapons of modern times.

The next question is: Should we use the atom bomb while we hold this advantage, and carry out decisive destruction in Russia?

The answer is, emphatically, No! As a counter threat if Russia should attack us now, before we are ready, the atom bomb is a valuable weapon. If, however, we used this weapon to force Russia to desist in her known preparations for a future war, the result would surely be to urge Russia to make even more determined secret efforts to launch a terrible war of this nature on mankind.

Should we, therefore, do nothing at all? Again, the answer is, No! For, fortunately, there is a simple and sound alternative to attacking Russia now with atom bombs.

It lies in doing to Russia exactly what she has been doing to the rest of the world for several years. But we would do it more effectively. This is what is now widely known as "cold warfare." It is largely political work and suggestions have often been made that we should have a fourth Chief of Staff to carry out this form of warfare.

This warfare falls under three heads. First, we should make effective plans to free the countries like Czechoslovakia and Austria, where the population is 95 per cent on our side but is held down by small numbers of Russian police-troops and their fellow-travellers.

For this purpose we again want those 20 Regular divisions, for if they were available we could march in and free those countries with ease.

Aiding Resistance

Secondly, there is the more difficult task of freeing countries like Germany and Poland, which are held down by Russian forces. In such cases we should make plans to organise resistance movements in those countries. We have had much experience in this work during the last war.

Within countries already officially incorporated in the Soviet Union, such as the Ukraine and the Baltic States, the task would be no harder, for the nationalist feeling there is anti-Russian beyond words.

Thirdly, we should make dispositions to use our complete command of the seas to restrict Russian merchant shipping, exactly as Russia has restricted our communications on land.

In all this work we would, of course, further prepare to make full use of wireless propaganda.

Then—and not until then—we should approach Russia in the best Foreign Office style and request that she should cease all her preparations for another world war.

Decisive Trio

This would, of course, include a substantial demobilisation of her forces and an acceptance of international inspection of those forces and of all atomic bomb and similar weapons.

Should Russia refuse we should then regrettably have to apply our "cold warfare."

Even one of the three methods mentioned above would be very serious for Russia. The three together would be decisive.

They would, indeed, involve further hardship upon a very brave people who have already paid a fearful price for the ambitions of dictators. But, precisely, on this account it would not be long before social and political pressures would develop in Russia in spite of the Secret Police.

Dissension would take shape among the Communist leaders themselves, as each sought to harness the rising storm to his own advantage. Nobody can predict the further course of events (which is another reason why the present rulers of Russia may not be anxious to invoke the chance of serious ones), but it might well be that a more amenable type of Russian statesman might come into power and that great Empire again be able to live in friendship with the rest of the world.

There are those who argue that if we deal hardly with the Russians they will rally all their people with a call to arms to defend their country. It is here again that we see the merit of speed.

It is in delaying, not in applying, our cold-war technique that the danger lies. For then Russia will have time to perfect her new weapons and another great world war will be brought nearer. But if we press ahead now, then Russia may be brought to talk sense—and peace—because the only alternative will be to fight before she is ready in which case she certainly would be beaten.

Understanding

I have seen enough of wars myself to wish for no more of them, and I believe this to be the overwhelming desire of the British people. Is there no way of making the military leaders of Russia understand this?

MEN, WOMEN AND MEMORIES

By ATTICUS

One interesting genealogical fact appears, surprisingly, to have escaped attention in the Press comment on a new generation of the Royal Family. Assuming that the son of Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh eventually ascends the Throne, we have to go back to the Plantagenets to find a parallel of six successive generations of unbroken descent down the family tree.

Henry II was born in 1133, and after the reign of his eldest son, Richard Coeur de Lion, the Crown passed through Richard's brother John in direct line down to Edward III. The span from the birth of the first of the Plantagenets to the third Edward covered 179 years; the comparable span from Queen Victoria's birth to the present day is only 129 years—an astonishing fact, recalling the comparative shortness of life and earliness of marriage in the Middle Ages.

The two periods have in common that each contains an instance of the Crown passing from one brother to another.

Edward III, the last of the six-generation succession, who was born at Windsor on November 13, 1312 never bore the title of Prince of Wales. He was created Earl of Chester. "Mightiest monarch in Christendom," as he was styled by a chronicler of his time, he reigned for 50 years—a happy omen surely for a child of Princess Elizabeth!

Lover Of France

Mr. Charles Morgan, who recently was elected a member of the Institut de France and later, with the Speaker of the House of Commons, received an honorary doctorate of the University of Caen, is to present the original manuscript of his "Ode to France" to the Bibliotheque Nationale. The ceremony, in Paris, has been officially arranged by the French Government.

Written in the darkest days of the war, the Ode reached France during the German occupation without Mr. Morgan's knowledge. It was translated by Vercors, published by the clandestine press, and became a theme poem, so to speak, of the Resistance movement. Mr. Morgan recited it from the stage of the Comedie Francaise when the theatre was officially reopened after the liberation. These are signal honours for one poem to receive, but France knows well how deep is the poet's love for France, and has an instinct for the most graceful way to acknowledge such devotion.

Thinking Caps

Dr. T. S. Eliot and Dr. Arnold Toynbee have been invited to spend a few weeks this winter at Fuld Hall, the Institute For Advanced Study at Princeton. The Institute was founded 15 years ago to enable great scholars to meet think and write in peace without financial worries. One of the first thinkers to benefit from the endowment was Einstein.

The present director of the Institute is Professor Oppenheimer, who combines his directorial duties with the chairmanship of the technical advisory board to the Atomic Energy Commission. I met him two months ago when he was in Denmark on a visit to his great friend, Niels Bohr, the Danish Nobel prizeman and pioneer of atomic research. He told me then that he wished to extend the use of the Institute for exchange of ideas between international scholars.

I should say that he himself is the ideal man to promote intellectual conversation of the highest order. Only 44, he has great charm and great modesty, and he knows how to ask searching questions and to wait patiently for an answer.

Dr. Toynbee, with his "Study of History" best-seller, is perhaps the outstanding British success in the United States just now. Dr. Eliot, I see from my Czech newspapers, is being violently denounced by the Communists as the most reactionary poet of capitalist culture. As Mr. Auden, Mr. Day Lewis and Mr. Stephen Spender also receive a Communist pounding. I do not suppose that Dr. Eliot will mind.

Communising A Theatre

Not even in war-time have I ever read such a spate of propaganda as that with which Moscow has been deluging the satellite countries during the past fortnight. The anniversary of the Russian Revolution was an obvious occasion for the propagation of Communist omniscience and invincibility. More curious was the immense space devoted to the 15th anniversary of the Moscow Art Theatre, which was "sold" to the satellites almost as a Communist creation.

This is sheer nonsense, for the great days of the theatre were before the Revolution. I knew well both Stanislavsky and Nemirovich-Danchenko, the two founders, and met them again years after the Revolution. They had adapted themselves, but they were certainly not Communists. The last time that I saw Nemirovich-Danchenko was in Geneva. He was as dapper as always and was wearing a beautiful pair of brown and white "Carlsbad trotters."

The man, however, who made the success of the Moscow Art Theatre was Anton Chekhov and he was essentially a bourgeois intellectual who wrote for the bourgeoisie. He died 13 years before the Revolution, but I doubt if he would have followed Gorki into the Communist camp. His last words appear in most foreign anthologies. They were: "It is a long time since I drank champagne."

Perfect Committee-Man

There was a good deal of ancient ritual revived—even to the gift of red herrings—when Sir Will Spens was installed the other day as High Steward of Great Yarmouth. I fancy that Sir Will's new office, for all its dignity, is a sinecure, which is more than can be said for the innumerable seats the Master of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, has held on committees and Royal Commissions, or for his war-time job as Regional Commissioner in one of the regions most exposed to enemy attack.

I remember noting more than ten years ago, when he was nominated to the Imperial Relations Trust, that he was the perfect committee-man, and could have represented his university in the House of Commons had he wished—and had his many other activities permitted. Has any other man, I wonder—to take only one of his fields of interest—been an active governor of four public schools at once? Sir Will has been a governor, at one and the same time, of Rugby, Repton, Clifton and King's School, Canterbury. He is still on the governing bodies of the first and the last of those.

An Unfortunate Protest

It is a pity that Count Carandini, of all people, should have been the victim of a protest by the British delegation to the Congress of European Federalists in Rome. The delegation walked out because his speech was longer than the rules allowed, but it was a speech that demonstrated his warm friendship for this country.

When Count Carandini became Italy's first representative here after the war—he had the personal rank of Ambassador, but could not present his credentials because the peace treaty had not been signed—he charmed everybody with his frank manner, his good English, and his own pleasure in being here. Count Carandini is typical of the Roman landowners of the Campagna, where he farms some 9,000 acres (and reared the cow that held the world's record for milk production).

America's Most Famous Foreign Affairs Commentator WALTER LIPPMANN, Here Gives His Views On The Coming North Atlantic Pact.

ARMS ACROSS THE SEA

After many months of confidential discussion the project of a pact among the nations on both sides of the Atlantic is ready for formal negotiation.

It is a great event. This is not another one of the many devices which have had hastily to be improvised to meet an emergency.

This is a recognition at long last that the Governments and the peoples are ready to apply the lesson of this bloody and tragic century—of the two world wars that we have failed to prevent, of the two victories from which we have got no peace.

One Community

The lesson is that the nations of the Atlantic world are one community for war and for peace, and that, therefore, they cannot hope to prevent war, or to wage war successfully, or to make peace after a war, unless they have a united defence and a common diplomacy.

It is now plain enough to all who are capable of learning from the experience of two wars that a unified defence, sealed in advance and well organised and equipped, is essential to the conduct of a war in which the Atlantic nations are involved.

It is perhaps not so plain, though it is no less true, that without the unity of the Atlantic nations it is not possible to settle these wars after they have been won.

Yet this, I believe, is the real and immediate significance of the proposed North Atlantic Pact.

The pact is not merely a measure of security. It is essential to a successful settlement of the conflict over Germany between Russia and the West.

This is not, I realise, the way the pact is being presented to the public.

If They Withdraw

The general view is that the threat of Soviet military aggression induced the five Western European countries to sign the Brussels Pact, and that now the United States and Canada are to join the alliance and erect defences against the invasion of Western Europe.

Yet what is going to happen to the project if in the next few months, before the pact can be ratified and implemented by Congress, the Russians, instead of menacing Western Europe by concentrating troops and stockpiling supplies, offer to withdraw from Germany or actually begin to pull back their armies?

There are indications that this might happen, and if it does there will be many who think that the North Atlantic Pact is no longer so urgently necessary.

Yet it will be no less urgently necessary, even if the Russians reduce their military pressure on Western Europe. But since the necessity will not be so obvious, the statesmen of the West will need to be far-sighted and forehanded in showing their peoples that the pact is not merely for defence against Russian invasion, that it is at least as necessary if the Russians begin a military withdrawal from the centre of Europe.

For if the Russians *do* withdraw—a consummation devoutly to be wished—they will, even at the most, withdraw only behind Poland to their own national frontiers.

It is absurd to suppose that the United States would then be naive enough to withdraw across the Atlantic Ocean. The true equivalent of the Russian withdrawal would be an American withdrawal into Western Europe.

To make that possible a North Atlantic pact is necessary: it would provide the legal and practical means by which American military power can be kept present and ready for the defence of Western Europe.

Conceived this way, the pact would put the Atlantic nations in a position to negotiate with the Russians on the crucial issue of the German settlement.

The issue will be what military forces, what kind of police, militia, constabulary, are to be authorised by the German peace treaty.

We can offer them a choice: either a treaty, signed not only by the Big Four but also by all the neighbours of Germany, which unites and regulates the police and the militia of all the German States and of Germany as a whole—or the authorisation in the Western zones of a German military force.

Because the Western zones are three times as big as the Eastern, this German force would be much more powerful than any which the Russians now have or could organise.

Futile Conclusion

This may induce the Russians to negotiate seriously on a German treaty which regulates the armed forces of Germany after the evacuation.

It is hard to see how or why they should refuse if, in fact, they have made up their minds to withdraw their own troops But, they may, of course refuse.

In that event we must be very much on guard against the futile conclusion, which has long been held in some British and some American circles, that the Germans of the West should be militarised and incorporated into the military system of the Western world.

If the Germans of the West are rearmed they will again be the strongest army in Europe, stronger than France, stronger on the ground than Britain and America.

In Their Own Right

Once rearmed, ostensibly against Russia, Western Germany will no longer be a satellite or a subordinate ally of the West.

The Western Germans will be a European Power in their own right, and they will then decide for themselves, without consulting General Clay and General Robertson, remembering Frederick the Great, Bismarck, Rathonau, and even Ribbentrop, what role, they will play in Europe.

It will not, we may be sure, be that of a docile and self-effacing supporter of the Western world.

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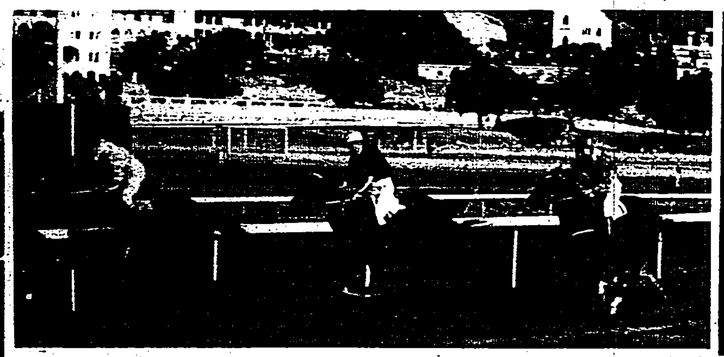

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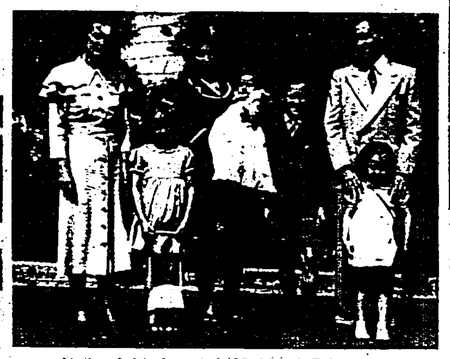

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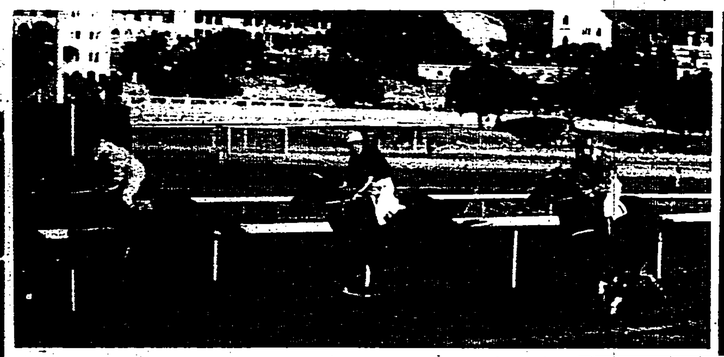

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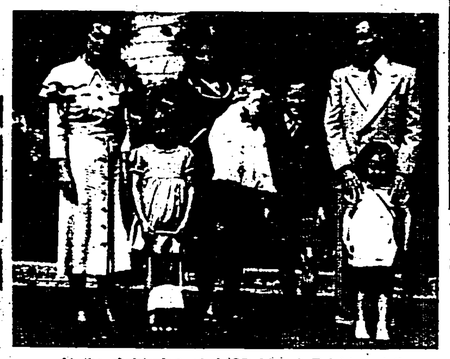

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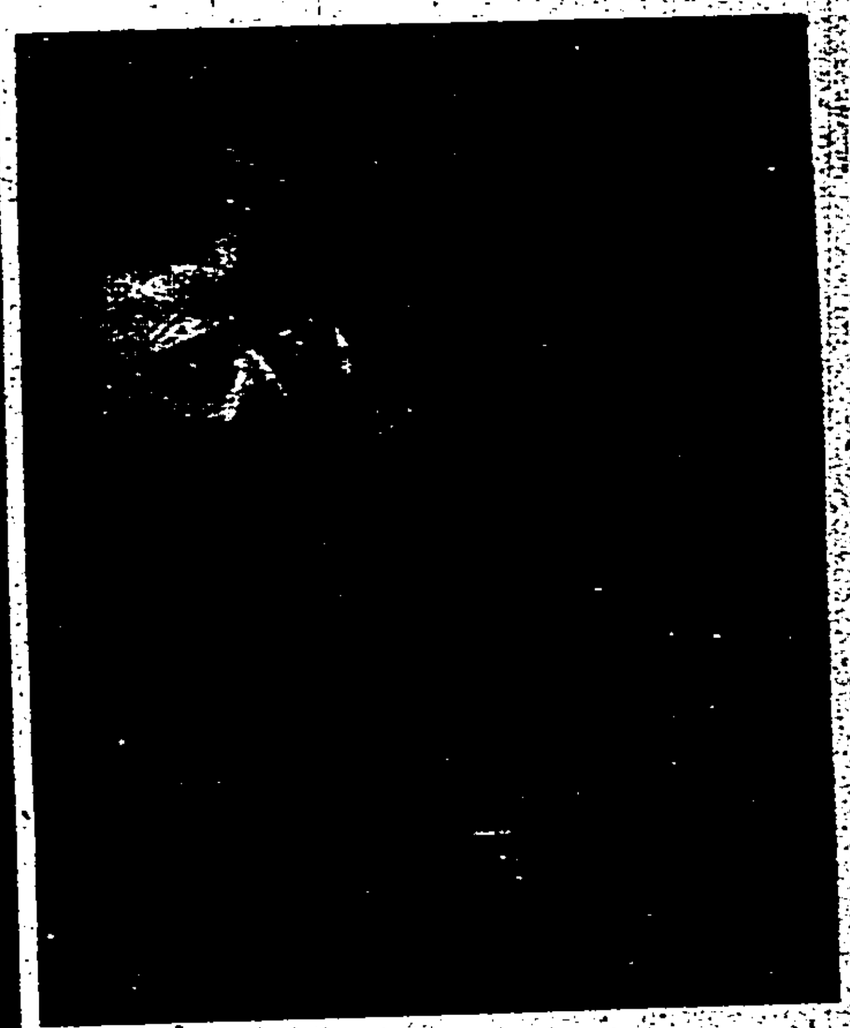
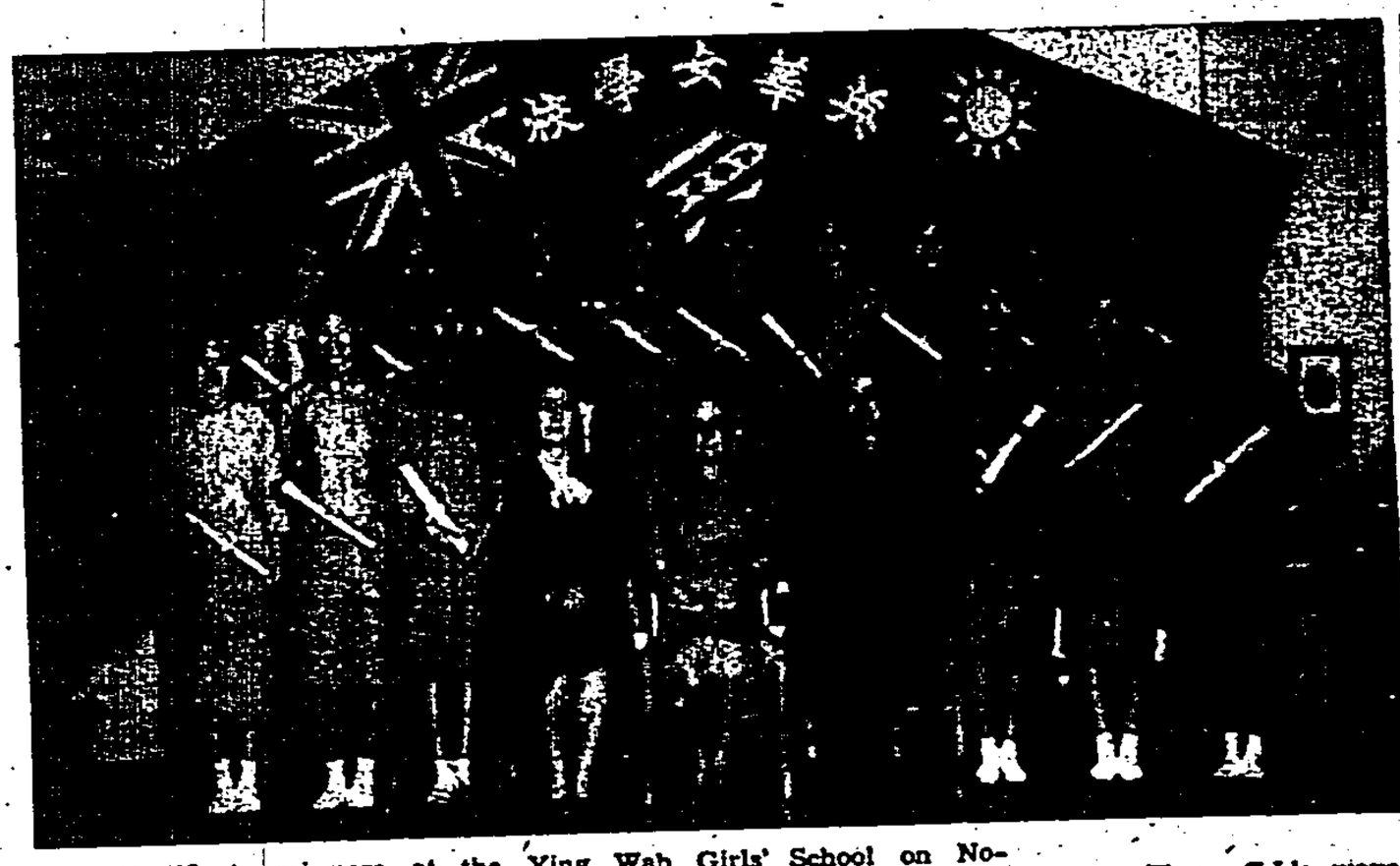
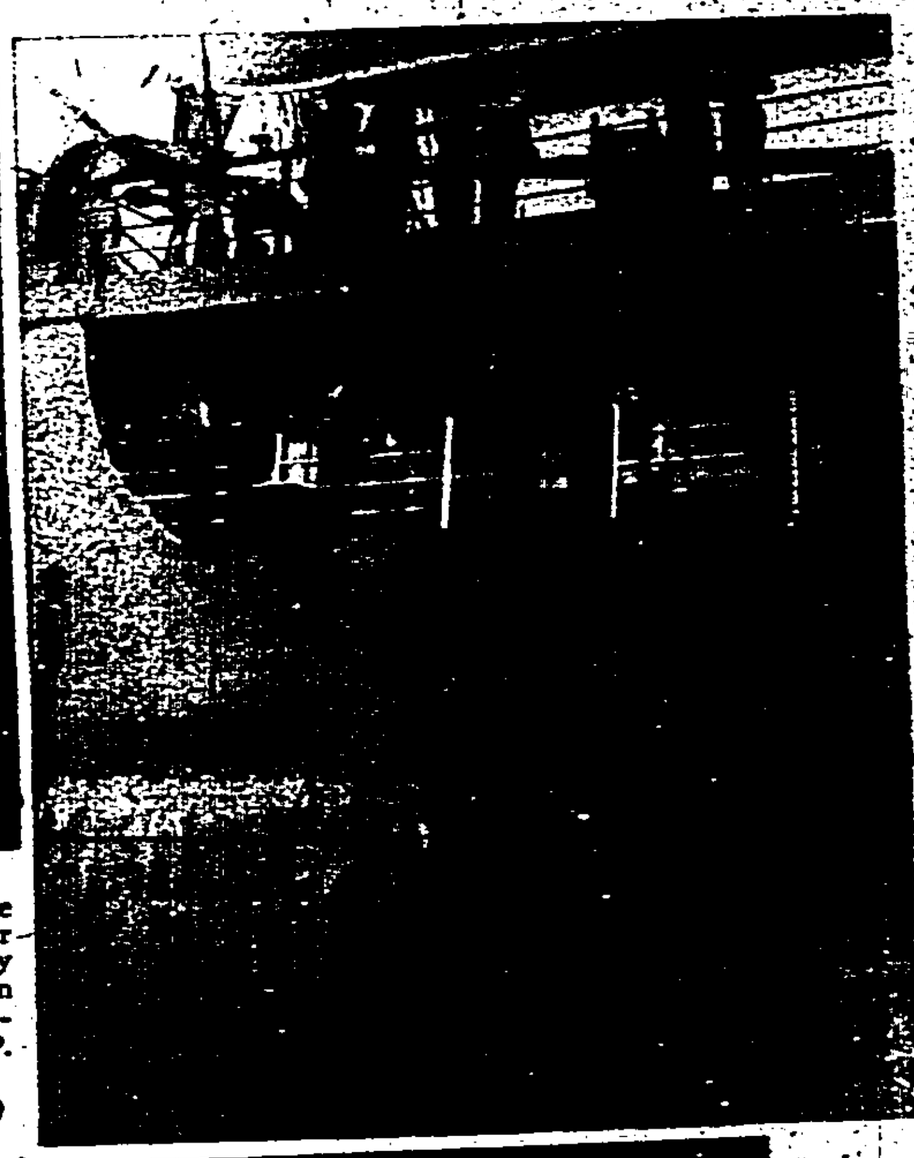
Princess Margaret, deputising for the Queen for the first time, places a cross in the Field of Remembrance at Westminster Abbey. (A.P. photo)



The world famous pianist, Benno Moiseiwitsch, was invested with the C.B.E. by His Majesty King George VI at Buckingham Palace for his services to Britain. His wife was formerly Miss Anne Gerstburger, whose family are connected with Hong Kong and Shanghai



Certificate winners at the Ying Wah Girls' School on November 18. (King's Studio)



Three G.I.'s wave goodbye to their families as they evacuate from Shanghai on November 20 (A.P. photo)

Paris show girls in London to televise for the B.B.C. (A.P. photo)

The Rev. G. Stevenson, new Pastor of Union Church, Kowloon, with the Rev. Frank Short and the Rev. G. E. Sandbach, at the reception in honour of Mr. Stevenson last week.

The Non-Chinese Civilians XI which lost to Army 6-1 in the 1st round of the Memorial Cup Soccer Competition. ("China Mail" photo).

Mackenzie, the Club custodian, in action during last week's soccer match when S. China "A" beat the Club by three clear goals. ("China Mail" photo)

The Army XI which beat Non-Chinese Civilians. ("China Mail" photo)

An incident during the Army v. Non-Chinese Civilians encounter in the 1st round of the Memorial Cup Soccer Competition. ("China Mail" photo)

Combined Chinese who beat Royal Navy by 5-3 in the first Round of the Memorial Cup Soccer Competition. ("China Mail" photo)

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THE ELEPHANT THAT FORGOT

CONCLUSION

The police were informed of the accusations against John Rutherford, and immediately a hunt was started to find him. But although all the power of the Force was brought to bear, they could not find a trace of him—and they never did. He seemed to have vanished into thin air, and although there were theories that he had escaped abroad in a ship, nothing was ever proved.

After much investigation of the whole strange story, the police were at least convinced of one thing—that John Rutherford had indeed stolen the elephant, which was in due course given back to the Wayside Circus.

You can imagine the thanks that were showered on Rob and the others, and the delight of Abdulla at recovering his pet. At the time of writing the elephant is in the best of health, and has even learned new tricks. He looks like living to be a hundred.

THE CRUEL PRINCESS

There was once a cruel princess named Jane. She had everything she wanted, but that did not make her have a sweet nature.

She was very cruel. When the servants did anything wrong and they were scolded, she would stand and laugh at them until they burst out crying.

One day a kind old witch who never did any one any harm called to see Jane. "Jane," said the witch, "you will learn your lesson before the week is out." But Jane just laughed and did not believe the witch.

Then days went by and one morning near the end of the week as the sun shone into her room, Jane had a great desire to go into the garden. When she got in to the garden she found it had all changed and was no longer a garden but a poor dirty village.

Jane heard one of the villagers say, "Here comes the cruel princess; what does she want now? We are poor enough already without her coming down to our village."

When she heard this she thought what a horrible person she must be, and she gave the old woman a gold coin. The woman then changed into the witch and the village vanished away. But Jane remembered what the old woman had said and she stopped being cruel, and then she was known as the "Pretty Princess."

Honour certificate to G. L. Trueman, of 20 Jubilee Buildings, Shamshuipo, Kowloon.

Word Competition Winners

First prize of $10 has been awarded to Michael Lim, aged 14, of 15, Cameron Road, (ground fl.) Kowloon.

Second prize of $7 goes to Margaret Blenkinsop, aged 13, of Kowloon Docks.

Third prize of $5 has been won by Margaret Siu, aged 15, of 41B, Nathan Road, (2nd fl. Kowloon)

Honour certificates for three points have been awarded to Jimmy Lew, of 39 Wong Nai Chung Road, Happy Valley, Leonardo Luz, of 21 Austin Avenue, (ground fl.) Kowloon, and Irene Zindel, of 60 Macdonnell Road, Flat 8, Hong Kong.

The Woodpecker

Long, long ago, there was an old man who went about the street helping people. He was dressed like a poor old beggar, but he was not a beggar at all. No one knew who he was.

One day, while he was walking in the street as usual, he came to a small house. It was evening already, and he was tired and hungry, for he had gone a long way that day. He looked in through the window, and saw a young woman making cakes over a fire inside. It was a woman with a red cap.

"Oh," he thought, "how nice and warm it is inside!" So he knocked at the door and went in. It was an old-fashioned house with few pieces of furniture, in the corner of the room sat the young woman. She went on making her cakes, and putting them near the fire to bake.

"Please, will you be kind enough to let me have one of your cakes? I am very hungry and tired."

But the woman went on making the cakes and did not answer him, for she thought that he was only a beggar.

After a while, the old man said again, "Please, will you be so kind as to let me have one of your cakes?

The woman looked at him and turned back her head to look at the cakes, "No, the cakes are too big, I will make a smaller one," she said to herself. So the woman made another one. When the cake was baked, she said to herself, "No, this is still too big, I will make another one."

So the woman made a still smaller one, and put it near the fire. It was too small to be called a cake. But it was not so small as the woman's heart.

Then the old man was angry—so angry that he said to the woman, "I shall not eat any of your cakes, for your heart is far too small for a woman. You shall not make cakes and bake them before the fire any more. When you are hungry, you shall have to peck for your food."

In a moment, the old man disappeared, for he was a fairy. The woman with the red cap was gone too, and instead there was a bird with a grey coat and a red cap. She was the first woodpecker.

Honour certificate to Helena Law, aged 15, of 118 Caine Road, Hong Kong.

Retired teacher: I have just retired after teaching the same class for 40 years.

Listener: Your pupils must have been very backward!

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What burns to keep a secret? Sealing wax!

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Jones: I call my dog Camera.

Smith: Why?

Jones: Because he is always snapping people!

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What pets are eaten in winter? Crum-pets!

'Tis the last rose of summer,
Left blooming alone,
All her lovely companions,
Are faded and gone.

'Tis the last Rose, by Thomas Moore.

MY CAT NUMBY

On a cold, and quiet night as I was sleeping, I suddenly heard a lond noise coming from the kitchen. This made me frightened, and I hurried down to see what was the matter. I switched the lights on but there was no one in sight, only my cat Numby sleeping in her basket peacefully.

I went back to sleep, but soon the noise came again. This made me very nervous as I thought it might be a ghost, but with courage I went down once again. This time I found Numby awake and was chasing something round and round the kitchen. At last she caught it and showed it to me. It was a rat, and that was the cause of the noise.

Before I went back to sleep again, I rewarded Numby with a whole fish for catching the naughty rat.

Honour certificate to Janey Chan of 545 Shanghai Street, Mongkok.

THE RUNAWAY TWINS

John and Ann were twins, they lived with their father in a cottage in the country. There came a sudden sad blow to them one day, for they learned they were going to have a step-mother. "How terrible," they cried.

"Michael has a step-mother and she is very cruel to him," said John. "Lets run away," replied Ann. So the children decided to run away, they took all their money from the money box, and found enough to go to their Aunt Jean's house.

They went to the bus stop and went up to the first bus that they came across. Ann sat next to a very nice lady who had bought a lot of presents. She asked the twins, "By the way, do you know John and Ann Sevis? You see I am going to be their step-mother."

John and Ann looked at each other and took a peep at the lovely presents the lady had. In the bag, they found a large doll and a train set, also many other things.

When the children saw this, they knew that their new mother was a very kind lady and was very fond of children. So they got out of the bus at the next stop and hurried home.

They arrived home just a little bit earlier than their new mother did. They went in together and had a lovely evening, and this proved to John and Ann that not all step-mothers are cruel.

That night when the children were in bed they heard their new mother say to their father, "I am sure I saw our children in the bus this afternoon." Their father said that it couldn't have been John and Ann for they were at home. No one knew except the twins, so they smiled at each other and fell asleep.

Honour certificate to Geoffrey L. Trueman, aged 13, of 20 Jubilee Building, Shamshuipo.

In The Mailbag

RAYBURN LIM, you can change a comic story into your own story if you like. But don't you think it would be better if you made up a story yourself? I am sure you can do it, so why not try?

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NORMA BROWNE, will you please let me know your address, age and hobbies? Until I know this, I will not be able to put your name down in the H.C.C. Members column. Thank you.

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WILL DIANE BALDAWALA, Peter Braga, and LEUNG TAK-WAH please let me have their correct address; as there is an Honour certificate for each of you. Do let me have it as soon as possible. Thank you.

H.C.C. Members

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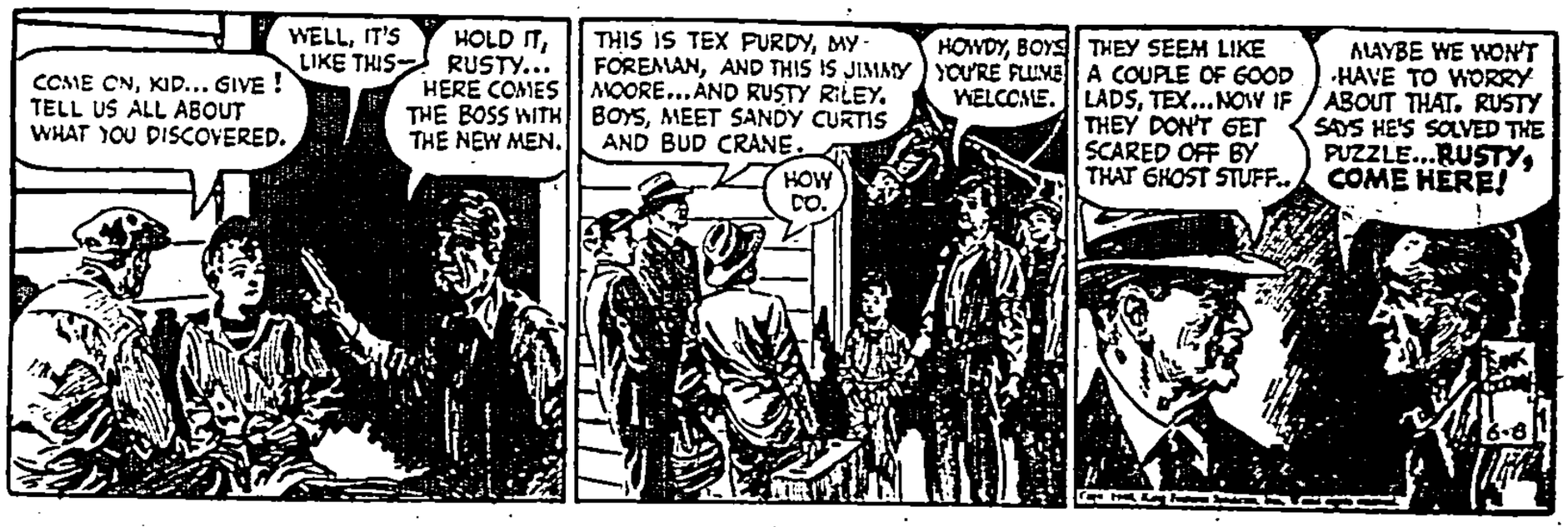
Who Am I?

A is for auntie but not for uncle,
U is for union but not for onion,
N is for Nancy but not for Fritzie,
T is for Therese and also for trees,
I is for Irving and also for Ian,
E is for Elaine and also for Eleanor.
V is for victory but not for mystery,
E is for electricity but not for light,
E is for eagle but not for steeple.
Put them together you get a popular lady.
Answer: Aunue Vee.

Honour certificate to Patricia Bush aged 11, of 251 Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.

RUSTY RILEY

By FRANK GODWIN



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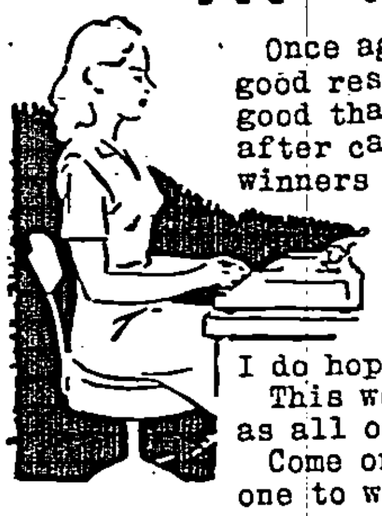

Once again I have to congratulate you all for sending in such good results for the word competition. They were all so very good that I had a hard time to choose the winners. However, after careful checking, I have picked out the top scorers. The winners are given on Page 2.

Will all H.C.C. Members please try and send me a studio photograph of yourself as soon as possible? (That is, if you have not sent it to me yet.) As you will notice, I have started a column for Birthday Greetings on the last page. That's why I want your photos, and I do hope you all like the idea.

This week's competition will seem very easy to most of you, as all of you are very good at writing stories.

Come on, have a try! You never know, you might be the lucky one to win a prize this time.

Happy days to you all, from

Auntie Vee.

Write Your Favourite Story

I can imagine all of you must have a "favourite story"—an idea in your minds of what you would like to write. Try and write the story which appeals to you most.

It does not matter what you write about, any subject you like, anything that you have wanted to write and never quite managed until now.

To help you all, this competition has been divided up into three age groups. They are from 16 to 13, from 13 to 10, and last but not least, the Under-Ten's.

The average number of words should be 200 to 350. Entries will be judged on their merits, but age will also count, so everybody has a chance.

Some of the good ones will be printed in the "Children's Herald."

Prizes

A First Prize of $5 and two Consolation Prizes will be given for the best story in each age group.

The closing date for your entry is Wednesday, December 1.

Send it along to me, Auntie Vee, Children's Herald, Windsor House, Hong Kong.

Enclose this slip with your entry and mark the left hand corner of your envelope "Competition."

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

..... AGE .....

Things To Make

MAGNETIC CORKS: Get any kind of cork and a sharp knife. Cut the cork in two. Fill a dish with water and put the pieces of cork at each end and you will see them float together.

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MODEL MILK CART: An empty matchbox tray is the cart, with two big circles of card for the wheels. Before you fix them on with bent pins, draw the spokes carefully in ink, then bend down the back end of the cart. Three small corks covered with silver paper are the milk churns. Mark in the handles with black pencil. Push in two used match-sticks for the shafts of the cart. The horse is a big cork with match stick legs and a cardboard head. Tie a piece of string round the horse's body and make a loop at each end into which you push the ends of the shafts. Two or three strands of wool or cotton will do for a tail.

RIDDLES

What is it that, when you knock out one eye, has only the nose left?

Answer: Noise.

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How many peas are there in a pound?

Answer: One.

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Who always finds things dull?

Answer: The knife grinder.

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Why is a benevolent man like a cart horse?

Answer: He always stops at the sound of woe.

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Which is the right side of a wedding cake?

Answer: The side that has been eaten, because the other is left.

Which travels faster, heat or cold?

Answer: Heat, because you frequently catch cold.

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Which is the cleanest letter in the alphabet?

Answer: H, because it is always in the midst of "washing."

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Why is it impossible for a butcher to be honest?

Answer: Because he steals (steals) all the knives he uses.

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What smells most in a chemist's shop?

Answer: The nose.

Merry Moments

A small boy was saying his prayers when he looked up and said thoughtfully: "What are prayers, Mother?"

"Prayers are messages to God," replied his mother.

"Oh, and do we send them at night to get the cheaper rate?"

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A schoolteacher was addressing an English class when she asked, "John, give me a sentence containing the word centimetre."

John thought for a while and then said brightly, "My cousin was coming to our place for a holiday and I was centimetre."

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"Well, well!!" said Billy's dad, "so you're captain of your cycling club. Splendid! Why did they choose you, Billy?"

"I'm the only boy with a bike," answered Billy.

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Judge: "You are acquitted of stealing this man's watch."

Thief: "Does that mean I have to give it back, boss?"

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Junior: "Do all big elephants have trunks?"

Mother: "Yes, Junior."

Junior: "If big elephants have trunks, do little elephants have suitcases?"

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Father: "What are you doing in the pantry, Tony?"

Tony: "Just putting a few things away, dad!"

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What did the dragon say when he looked at his tail?—"This is the end."—

SORT OUT THESE JUMBLED WORDS—

Have you ever been fishing with your father or big brother? And when they've caught a fish, did you know its name? Take a look at these and see how many you can puzzle out.

(1) Icklestackb, (2) Uemllt, (3) Mlownn, (4) Gunrrad, (5) Haockdd, (6) Heingrr, (7) Trasishf, (8) Truto, (9) Paicel, (10) Ellyjishf, (11) Lobgfheis, (12) Olopclk.

Jumbled Words Answers

Stickleback, Mullet, Minnow, Gurnard, Haddock, Herring, Starfish, Trout, Plaice, Jellyfish, Gleebsh, Pollock.

Honour certificate to Winnie Read aged 15, of 23 Lock Road, Kowloon.

WORD WISDOM

Abyss (abis) a bottomless gulf.

Bicaudate (bikawdat) furnished with or ending in two tails.

Dunce (duns) a dull, ignorant person.

Expunge (ekspunj) to blot out, erase, destroy, or obliterate.

Frisky (friski) lively in action, sprightly, and gay.

Glyphic (glifik) pertaining to carving or sculpture.

Heriology (heksioloji) the science of habits and environment.

Interrogate (interogate) to question.

Junction (jungkshun) the act of being joined, union, a point or place of union.

The Brave Boys

Jim and Jack, 19 years old midgets were suddenly awakened by the cry "Help! Help! Escaped Tigers!" coming from outside their caravan.

They leapt out of bed dahed outside, where they found Joe, the circus night-watchman, clinging to the top a flagpole, with three large tigers looking up at him.

At this sight the boys burst out laughing for the tigers were the harmless pets of the circus manager "Quit laughing and tell the troiner to get rid of this savage beatsts!" cried Joe.

Jack doubled up helpless with laughter and fell down the steps of their caravan, while Jim picked up a stick and drove the "savage beatsts" back to their cages.

It was then that he saw that the padlook had been wrenched away and the door of the cage opened. He showed this to Jack who suddenly became serious and said "Some body let them out on purpose. But let out the wrong ones, perhaps. "Yes, but why?" asked his brother. "Don't ask me.!" returned Jack.

They went to the manager and told him of their suspicions. He decided to keep watch on the cage the next night. It was agreed that Jack should wait on the roof of the big top and Jim on the top of the cages.

The next night, Jack at his post heard stealthy foot-steps going towards the cages, and he saw a man creeping to the first cage. At that moment he blow on a dog whistle, (which only a dog can hear), and six big dogs quickly surroundid the intruder. The man drew a gun and would have shot one of the dogs, but Jim swung down from the top of the cage and snatched the gun, and ordered him to march to the manager's office.

The manager sent for the police and the man was handed over. The man was an old circus hand who had recently been sacked and had come back to get his revenge.

Honour Certificate to W.A. Calvert. (14) H.Q.' H.K.V.D. Corps Garden Road, Hong Kong.

Birthday Greetings

ALEX MAMAK of 51 Kimberley Road (1st floor) Kowloon, will be nine years old today.

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On November 29 ELEANOR MAY REED of Harbour View Hotel, Kowloon, will be 11 years old.

On November 30 MAVIS MAY of 13 Ventris Road, will be eight years old.

On December 3 GERALDINE COX of 2 Lock Road. (2nd floor) Hong Kong, will be 16 years old.

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The H.C.C. Members will join me in wishing you all a very Happy Birthday.

I am very sorry I cannot print your photos, ELEANOR, MAVIS, and GERALDINE because I don't have them.

The Man With A Hook

One fine day Eileen and Peggy were climbing up the hills when they saw a girl running over one of the hills. She was dressed in an old fashioned dress.

They followed her thinking she was late for a show in town. But they saw her running into a cave where sat an old man. "Elizabeth, have you got the note?" he asked. "Yes," was the reply and from her pocket she pulled a note out. The man snatched it away from her. This old man had a hook on his right arm instead of a hand, and an eye shield covered his left eye, which made him look horrible.

The children, Eileen and Peggy easily recognised him as Captain Hook. At the table sitting together wih Captain Hook were some of his bad companions drinking rum. "You've got your orders, now go." He said to Elizabeth. Elizabeth then ran out of the cave.

Eileen and Peggy followed her and came to a house which belongs to the Duke of the little town. They saw Elizabeth going up to the house and ringing the bell. Soon a butler came out and asked who she was. She replied that she was the new maid. So the butler told her to get started with work by laying the table first for the dinner. Then the door closed.

The children did not know what happened inside, but not so very long afterwards they saw Elizabeth running down the stairway of the back door and in her hand there were some gold coins. She was just about to make a getaway when out of the darkness came a hook. They all gave a scream, and Eileen and Peggy found themselves lying on the grass. "Oh, it was only a dream," said Peggy. "And what an exciting one," said Eileen.

Honour certificate to Valerie Truman, aged 11, of 20 Jubilee Building Shamshuipo.

WHO AM I?

My first is in sorry but not in Jorry,
My second is in table but not in able,
My third is in ace and also in space,
My fourth is in mate but not in hate,
My fifth is in pump and also in bump.
My all you will find on an envelope,
That has come by the post.
Answer: Stamp

Honour certificate to Desiree Ozorio, aged 12, of Kayamally Bldg. Top floor, Hong Kong.

I Am A Poppy

I am a poppy. I was made by Colonel Brown who was blind and had suffered a lot during World War One.

He made many other poppies, some were wax (to put on cars) some were silk, others cotton and a few paper ones.

I am a big red silk poppy. I was first put in the bottom of a cardboard box on November 20th, 1947. On the cardboard box was written, "Give Generously," and "British Legion Appeal Fund."

In my middle were the letters HF. I did not know what they meant so I asked a greater poppy than me. I then found out it meant Haig Fund.

For a year I waited in a box for someone to buy me, and on November 6th, 1948, I was bought by a lady who gave five dollars for me. She put me on the lapel of her coat and walked gaily through the streets.

She lost me however, near Happy Valley, and a car trampled over me and killed me. But I'm very proud, because I've brought some good to somebody.

Honour certificate to Roger Clive Kemp, aged 12, of 14c, Hillwood Road, Top floor, Kowloon.

PIGMY CARTOON

"The pilots have called a strike!"

Heartburn?

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Yes, I know how troublesome these attacks can be. They are often caused by excess acidity—the acid content of your stomach is above normal and you get an uncomfortable full feeling after meals and indigestion pains. I recommend 'BISMAG' (short for 'Bisurated' Magnesia) known all over the world as a reliable antacid and restorer of a normal digestion. 'BISMAG' brings quick relief and helps you to digest without pain and discomfort. Try it today.

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VALUE IN MUSIC

THE question has often been posed as to whether or not music has any value. Stated in such ingenuous phraseology, it is first essential to determine what is meant by "music" and then by "value."

Music can cover all forms of sound having definite pitch and timbre from the primitive music of the sackbut to the most progressive form of organ. By music however, the postulators of this question mean the general subject of music approached from an objective point of view.

To reduce it to its simplest terms, the practical test is one of comparative values. Is it of more benefit to learn about music than, say, Political Economy or the Malthus Theory of Population? In this form, the question surely assumes a more interesting look and one capable of some degree of interesting exploration.

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FOR many years now it has been a traditional trait of the normal healthy school-child to prefer the attractions of football or tennis to the more erudite alternative of practising five-finger exercises on the key-board of the piano. Except in the case of the child-prodigy, that is surely a natural reaction, since it is impossible to place a wise head on young shoulders. No amount of persuasion on the anxious parents part will persuade the child that to learn the piano is anything other than a bore.

If, however, the parents are diligent enough to turn a deaf ear to all appeals, and the infant progresses through the humdrum stages to a point where he or she can begin to play reasonably well, perseverance will reap its own reward. For the performer, hitherto unknown fields of enjoyment are opened up. There is the supreme satisfaction of tackling a different page of Beethoven and eventually "coming out on top." For the parents, there is the reward of knowing their offspring is gaining some local fame as a performer.

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APART even from these gratifying results, however, the whole field of music is opened up for endless exploration, as fancy and choice may dictate. Into which particular field choice may fall, much depends on the innate good sense of the "voyager on waters thus unknown."

Mozart, at the age of 7, is reputed to have heard a Gregorian chant in Italy and some weeks later committed the whole music to paper note for note. There are few who have ever lived who could thus lay claim to such perfect memory and musical sense. But a sound knowledge of music very seldom fails to lead an appreciatiou of it in its best forms, and so it is advisable not to stress this angle too much.

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AS TO ITS value as a subject, I would unhesitatingly commend it. It is logical above all things. In committing music to paper the composer must have a clear mind to enable him properly to visualise the music as a whole. There must also be an ability to think many steps ahead. Conceive for a moment the incredible skill which is called for in the intricately woven pattern of the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's "Messiah." I purposely quote this as an illustration since every one must surely know this music. It must be recognised too, not merely as a pattern of sound, but also as a work wherein speaks the very fires of inspiration. To understand even the remotest idea of such music as this, a clear brain is surely a most necessary adjunct.

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MY ANSWER to the question posed at the beginning of these random notes is a certain affirmative. Music certainly has value, value in that it can open the door to a wider world of enjoyment denied to others who have not that knowledge. Certainly enough, however, it is also possible to enjoy music even without much knowledge. Sane knowledge, I would say, is essential, but certainly one does not need an intimate grasp of all its intracacies to derive pleasure further. We have yet to define music, when the hoary problem of classics and jazz will inevitably raise its insistent head. Enough has been said, however, to make out a case to support an affirmative answer and there it must be left.

The week's programmes, noted in part hereunder, present a number of outstanding features this week. I hope I shall be able to point out some of these in the following notes, taken at random.

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SUNDAY

CONTAINING the series of organ recitals commenced last week, the second recital is being given at 11.45 a.m. The organ is that of St. Marks in North Audley Street, London, and the programme, of which there is no space to give in detail, is most interesting.

At 12.00 noon, as a sort of prelude to "tiffin," there is to be a radio version of the film "Anna Karenina," featuring Vivian Leigh, Ralph Richardson and Kiernan Moore.

This recent version of Tolstoy's famous novel was, I thought unworthy of its cast. Apart from Sir Ralph Richardson's portrayal of the husband, consumed with jealously for his lovely wife, I did not think the acting was impressive. I felt Vivian Leigh was a little too coquetish as Anna. However, it will be interesting to see how the radio version comes over the air.

At 9.05 p.m. the two part Symphony Concert is relayed, Part II coming on at 10.16. The programme promised is:—

"Street Corner" — Rawsthorne
No. 1 Piano Concerto — Brahms
No. 7 Symphony in C — Sibelius
Sinfonia Concertant — Walton

Three moderns to one classic, be it noted, although Sibelius is so identified with the classic tradition as to escape the appellation of modern.

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THE soloist in the Brahm's Concerto is Wilhelm Backhaus, now seldom heard in London. Brahms seems to relent a little from the sterner mood in this Concerto. He still cannot achieve the air of gaiety so typical of Mozart, nor, I feel, is the quality on nobility so expressive of Beethoven, apparent in this work.

Brahms modelled himself to Bach and his other illustrious predecessors as regards form, but in the resultant music—delivered after many months of cogitation, little, if any trace of Bach or Haydn can be detected. As I believe I have said before austerity seems to be Brahms' keynote. Whilst as gifted as any of the major classicists it always seems Brahms is struggling to suppress his ideas as being unworthy of the standards self-imposed by him.

The Sibelius No. 7 is the last that the master-Finn has so far written. Only modern in the sense that he is one of this age, his music is essentially classical and devoid of the hardships so typified in Schonberg or Hindemith. In so far as comparisons (always odious!) are concerned, I personally find him somewhat akin to Beethoven.

The Walton work I cannot claim to know. Phyllis Seilick is at the solo piano and having heard her play several times in England, it is not rash on my part to predict a fine performance.

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MONDAY

AT 8.10 p.m. on Monday, Aubrey Brain and the B.B.C. Symphony Concert are giving a Performance of Mozart's Horn Concerto in E. Flat. The french horn is a notoriously difficult instrument to tackle and it is credit to the artistry of Aubrey Brain that he makes light of all technical difficulties in this fine recording. As seldom-heard music, this concerto is not to be missed at any price.

At 9.30 p.m. another film-adaptation is to be heard. This time it is Barbara Mullen in "Jeannie" which ran in London for some two years (I believe at the Criterion.)

Barbara Mullen is well-known to films, stage and radio, and is by way of being something of a singer, too. I do not know this film, but I do recall the critics had some very nice things to say about the stage version.

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WEDNESDAY

AT 9.15 p.m. on Wednesday there is to be a short violin recital by Adolph Busch, one of the finest of of modern violinists.

He is playing two suites, one in G. Major by Bach and the second in A by Vivaldi. Although only of 15 minutes' duration, I propose to hear this programme above all else. Bach's suites for violin and piano count amongst the finest music he ever wrote. The Vivaldi Suite too, is doubly interesting since Bach bases his early suites on the style of the Italian master.

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THURSDAY

AT 7.15 p.m. on Thrusday the Kentucky Minstrels are giving a short programme, music arranged by Doris Arnold. These versions are choral music deservedly very popular, and always afford a grand finale to the "Kentucky Minstrels" proper.

At 8.30 p.m. Beatrice Harrison is playing Elgar's Cello Concerto.

Although Elgar wrote much lovely music in the span of his life, I personally would choose the 'cello concerto as his outstanding contribution to the world of music.

Whether there be some unusual quality in the 'cello particularly sympathetic to a composer's moods or whether it be due to the artistry of the performer, the 'cello has attracted many composers. Each one seems to have been able to give it music of exceptional beauty to play, and has been able to write for it music far and away better than he has ever done before. I remember hearing Casals play this Concerto at the Queen's Hall in the early 1930's and it has even been a favourite of mine since.

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FRIDAY

AT 8.10 p.m. Acts 1 and 11 of Gounod's "Faust," are being given, with mainly a French cast. Mereille Berthan is Marguerita and Marcel Gournet the Mefistofolo.

Of all operas, I suppose "Faust" must be the most generally popular and Goethe's story of the man who sells his soul to the Devil has been well-followed by Gounod.

The dramatic sequences of the story alone are telling enough, but with Gounod's music to lend added weight, they achieve heightened effect. He has given the characters many lovely solos, in particular "Calf of Gold," "Ballade of Thule," "All hale thou dwelling" and "E'en bravest heart" being outstanding.

Following on the presentation of "Boheme," it seems that opera lovers are being well-tended by Radio Hong Kong.

General Knowledge Answers

1. Llullaillaco, Chile, 17,000 feet: Mount Wrangel, U.S.A., 14,000 and Mauna Loa, Hawaii, 13,675 feet.
2. In the West Pamirs.
3. 18,870,000.
4. The Azores.
5. Jebel Musa in Morocco forms one and the Rock of Gibraltar the other.
6. Otto I of Saxony formed the first in AD 962, and Bismarck the second in 1871.
7. What is now known as the Dominican Republic.

Contributed By "MUSETTA"

"I learned about skin care from baby!

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Health Page

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Next! More coal? (Special Ministry of Fuel pro *forma*.) Good afternoon! Milk? Yes. (Special buff form and Ministry circular on symbols.) Good afternoon!

Yes, that is what the practice of medicine in Britain has come to now—30, 40, to 45 patients to the hour; and it will have to be stepped up in the winter time.

What Chance?

I have talked to doctors in the industrial North-West who, since July 5, have organised their "surgeries" to dispose of 40 to 45 patients per hour.

What chance have they of practising medicine under such conditions?

None! Absolutely none, and they know it. The system forces it on them, and for many of these men, who at one time took a keen interest in their work, there is no escape.

The hospital out-patient department affords further evidence of how the practice of medicine must deteriorate under nationalisation.

More patients attend, and wait longer in out-patient clinics; yet many need never have been referred to hospital if their own doctors had

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simply had time to hear their stories and examine them—that is, carry out the work for which doctors are trained.

More and more, under such a system, must the hospital out-patient clinic take on the work of the general practice in the country; for the fault again lies not in the individual practitioner but in the system.

How can a doctor attempt to diagnose and treat cases when he is overwhelmed by demands for mass certification for financial benefits and scarce commodities?

In a purely private practice, on the other hand, I never see more than four patients to the hour, frequently fewer, and many a patient needs an hour's hearing if he or she is to be helped. Such cases become more common under the strain of lowering standards of living.

What To Do

At present, in general practice, there are two fields which should be receiving increasing attention—the investigation and early correction of functional or psychological illness and the prevention of disease.

Under the new system of State medicine any attempt at tackling these clamant problems is utterly impossible in general practice, the standards of which must inevitably and rapidly reach a dangerously low level.

Spectacles? (a green form). Cough? (a special prescription form). Certificates for sick benefit, club, and employer...40, 45 to the hour!

What use in training a man in the practice of medicine if that is to be his lot? What are they teaching in that great hospital now?

Medicine become more complex, and incidentally more absorbingly interesting, every year, yet over 80 per cent. of the students there now are destined to become general practitioners, shackled to this soul-destroying system of certification which will allow them no time ever to practise what they are being taught now.

Far better a six-month apprenticeship at a post office, where they would learn how to carry out such work.

Shall wonder that practically no doctors' children are entering the profession now; what men and women will take up this work in future?

On Borrowed Time

It has been suggested that the State doctor may counter this situation by limiting the number of patients he takes on his list and have himself some time free from clerical duties to practise his profession.

Yes, but let me introduce you to a personal budget known to me well. Before the war your average doctor in private practice received, by fees, about £1,500 per annum (in return for which he could give all his time and undivided attention to the care of his patients). About a fifth of that went to meet the expenses of running his practice, leaving an income of about £1,200 per annum.

Then came the war, which meant a captain's pay of about £600 per annum, and many expenses continuing. Back to practice at £800 per annum, rising year by year to perhaps £1,600—but in the face of practice expenses rising steeply.

And now nationalisation and an immediate fall in earnings to £1,100-£1,200 per annum, but with practice expenses still about £800 per annum—an income of £400 per annum to live on, will the pound devalued to 6s. and school fees alone amounting to more than that figure!

How can our budget be balanced in this new era? Only by seeking a list of thousands of State patients; yet 4,000 would mean only an actual income of about £1,500 per annum (still a considerable drop from a pre-war £1,200 per annum).

Spectacles? Yes (a green form). Good afternoon! Next! Milk? (a buff form). Next! Good afternoon! Sickness benefit certificates? (a choice of pink and white forms). Good afternoon!

No. Never. Not that.

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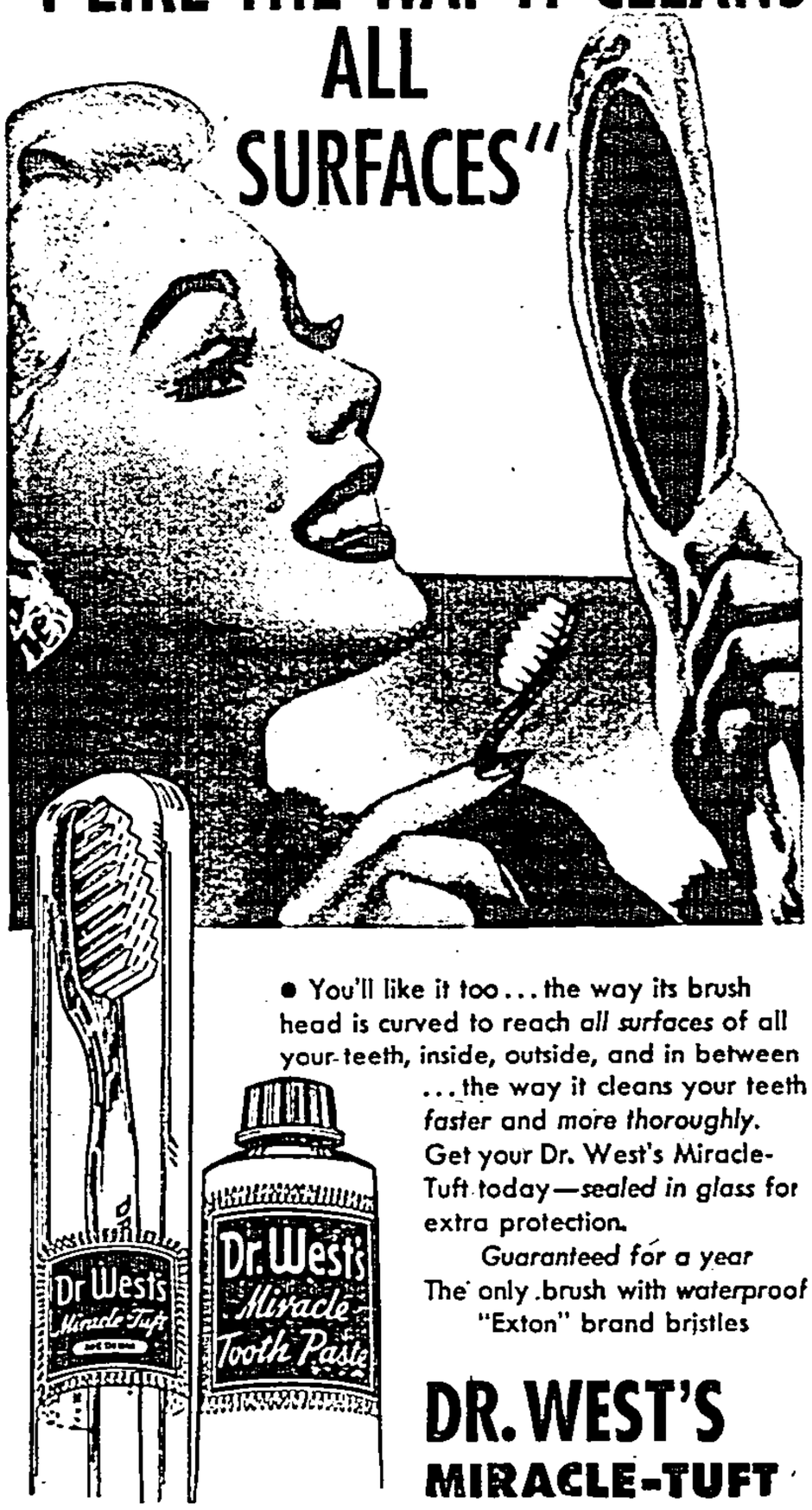

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THESE ARE MY PEOPLE

By ALAN MARSHALL

"I look after myself," he said. "There's nothing wrong with me. I've lived on my own all my life. I don't feel a day over seventy."

"You live in a beautiful place," I said. "It would be easy to remain young here."

"It's the way you look at things," he said. "It's not the place you live in."

"That's true."

I commented on the birds that thronged the lake.

"I'd like to have a boat and move out among those pelicans."

"You should be here when the lake is low," he said. "The cod fall back as the water goes down and you can see them in shoals. The water seems to be moving."

"What a feast for he pelicans!"

"Have you ever seen them work with the shags?"

"No."

"The shags get in line and move across what's left of the lake, driving the fish in front of them. They dive as they go, seizing all the little fish. The pelicans move along behind them and fight over the big cod that slip past the shags. You can hear them a mile off roaring like a herd of cattle."

Scotty—he explained that this was his name—was clean and tidy. He shaved each day, and once a week drove Lord Van Tempest six miles to a railway siding where he picked up his stores. The nearest shops were thirty-five miles away. He had no neighbours

His eyes were too weak to read, but he had a wireless and was always eager to discuss the war. He was a rebel, unusual in a bush Scotsman, and was scornful of newspapers, which, he explained, were full of lies.

"Australians!!" he snorted once. "They seem to think England values this country. Australia is of no importance to England. She wouldn't care if she lost it tomorrow. The only things England wants from Australia are wool and soldiers. The Australians use newspapers for brains and their newspapers for brains and their newspapers are English before they're Australian."

The vehicle in which he harnessed Lord Van Tempest ran on the iron rims of two car wheels. The shafts were two mallee spars and the harness was held together with pieces of wire.

Each day, while we were camped in that district, he drove over for a yarn. He didn't stop long, sometimes only a few minutes, and at first I was under the impression that he merely pulled up in passing, but his journey ended at our caravan and after his talk he always returned home. He would never come inside. He drew up in front of the doorway and conversed from his seat in the cart.

A strange man walked up to our door one day and handed us a cabbage. This unexpected gift staggered Olive and me. We looked at his bearded face and stuttered our thanks. He had a conspiratorial air about him and glanced from side to side as if hemmed in by enemies.

"That old bloke that comes to see you pinched my rabbit traps," he whispered. "He's a criminal."

Then Scotty appeared over the rise and our visitor glided off like a character in an old-time melodrama

"Who is that chap?" I asked Scotty, who had seen the man leaving.

"He is mad," said Scotty. "He says I stole his rabbit traps."

"He's mad all right," I said.

"He lives in a humpy over on the other side of the lake," continued Scotty, "and when he couldn't find his traps he used to walk six miles round to my place with a kerosene tin and a gun. He'd put the kerosene tin in the fork of a tree near the hut, then shoot it full of holes. He told me he was training to shoot me."

"Whatever did you do when he was shooting at the tin?" I asked.

"I sat and watched him."

"Weren't you afraid?"

"Afraid!" he snorted. "Of course I wasn't."

"Well, you should have been," said Olive, concerned. "You look after yourself, Scotty. I don't like that man at all."

On the day we were leaving Hattah, Scotty appeared earlier than usual. Olive stroked Lord Van Tempest and I stood leaning on the wheel. Scotty was uncomfortable. It was time to say good-bye.

Olive reached up to clasp his hand. "Good-bye, Scotty," she said.

"Good-bye," he said, in a sudden confusion. He thrust a ten-shilling note into her hand, and added awkwardly, "A present."

Olive faltered and went to hand it back to him.

"I don't want it back," he shouted, shaking his head and waving his arms. "It's a present." He tried to appear angry.

Olive withdrew her hand, and said with feeling, "It is a beautiful present. Thank you, Scotty."

The tension had gone from our parting. We waved as Lord Van Tempest took him away over the hill.

We reached Mildura, collected messages, and crossed over the Murray into New South Wales. I had mended three punctures in the forty-five miles from Hattah.

We camped on a plain that stretched to an horizon unbroken by a single hill. There were few towns beyond that skyline and they were hundreds of miles apart. Spare parts and tyres were unprocurable. Our tyres already showed frayed patches of canvas, and I couldn't bring ourselves to admit this.

"If only we had five good tyres," I said.

I might as well have asked for the moon.

"How far will the tyres take us?" Olive asked.

"With luck," I said, "they might get us back to Melbourne."

"How far without luck?" asked Olive, who wanted to know the worst.

"As far as that tree over there." I pointed to a melancholy she-oak.

Olive looked at the tree speculatively. She had already cut it down and burnt it in numerous camp-fires when I said, "But I'm determined to have luck."

We decided to return by a different route—South through Western Victoria to the coast, then Eastward to Melbourne. We would thus pass through many large towns where messages for the boys could be easily obtained.

Next day we about-turned and reentered the mallee country. Flocks of parrots swooped ahead of us. We stopped beside quandong trees and gathered the red fruit for cooking in pies. The fruit has a pitted stone and Olive kept some for making a necklace.

She had a treasure bag in the caravan. Beside the quandong stones, it contained strange seed pods, pine and banksia cones, coloured parrot-feathers, the flower spikes of bayonet grass, and the shells of two Murray River tortoises which she claimed could be turned into buckles. She sometimes tipped the contents on the floor and had a delightful time meditating on what she was going to do with them all.

We came to a deserted house and decided to camp there while I wrote stories. Our finances were in a bad way and we wanted a new lamp.

There was a dam beside our door and it seemed an ideal spot, but a plague of blow-flies descended upon us and it became impossible to eat outside in the shade of trees. In the caravan it was almost as bad. We couldn't find where these pests were getting in. All the windows were covered with fly-wire. At last we found they were climbing up the pipe that led from the sink.

Between meals it was necessary to hang our meat in the shade. We had a safe, but it wasn't proof against these blow-flies. Olive put the meat in a calico bag and hung it high up in a tree, but every meal had to be preceded by a thorough examination of the joint. While this was going on, blow-flies buzzed against the wire door in swarms.

Then a cold snap of weather set in and they went away.

A man driving a pair of horses in an Abbot buggy pulled up one day and asked us if we would like some lamb—he'd just killed one. We thanked him, and said that was just what we would like.

"Come with me," he said. "You can have some eggs, too."

We climbed up beside him and he drove through the mallee for five or six miles till we emerged on a clearing in the centre of which stood a weather-board house.

It was obviously the home of a bachelor. Fowls roosted on the verandah and walked in and out of the back door. Neglect was apparent in the rusted ploughs, the leaning sheds. Two sheep skins were draped, flesh side out, over the top rail of a fence. The legs, still attached, swung in the wind. The encroaching sand was beginning to cover his fences and farm implements as it moved in from "blows" in the open paddock. The mallee had beaten this man, but he refused to accept the fact. He waited patiently for the "good season" that was coming.

When he was young the rains of bountiful seasons came like the Prince to the Sleeping Beauty. The seeded earth, protected by trees and scrub while it slept the songless springs away, responded to this rain and clothed itself in a gown of green.

Now, sick with soil erosion, it remained barren, its bones of hard cloy bared to the sky.

There would be no more "good" seasons in the country of moving sand.

"I'll gather you some eggs," he said, when we alighted. "I just leave them and take an egg when I want it."

He got a kerosene-tin bucket, and we walked with him from one mallee clump to another. Nests packed with eggs, many of them bad, were in every cluster of trees.

"That's plenty," I said, after he had raided one nest.

"There's plenty here," he said. "They only go to waste."

He collected four dozen, all of which were apparently fresh. Hundreds more were lying about in scattered nests. Broody hens were sitting on many clutches.

"There'll be plenty of chickens here soon," he said.

After he had driven us home we asked him to stay and have a meal with us, but he had promised to have dinner with a farmer who lived some miles further on.

"His wife's dead," he said. "He's a good bloke."

We asked him to bring his friend and have dinner with us another day, and this he promised to do.

I noticed that he had four bottles of wine under the buggy seat—gallon bottles, at that—and concluded that he and his friend were in for a bender.

They both arrived next day. He introduced his friend as Mick. "And call me Sam," he added to the introduction.

They were both drunk and evidently intended staying that way, since they had brought several bottles of wine with them. They explained that every six months or so life got them down and they had a "beer-up" together.

Mick was a big man and appeared to be in his fifties. He was truculent in a happy way and the stronger personality of the two. ("I was wild when I was young. You know—fight a chap or ride a horse before breakfast.")

He stepped through the caravan door, stooping so that his head wouldn't bump the ceiling.

"Hullo, Missus." He greeted Olive cheerfully, then turned to me with simulated surprise. "Well, you can certainly pick 'em," he said. "Missus." He addressed Olive again. "You hypnotise me."

Sam, in the background, kept nodding agreeably as if some description he had furnished earlier was now being vindicated.

We sat at the table, and Mick, after a glance at my book-shelves, said, "How are you—well-read?"

"I read quite a lot," I said.

"Sam tells me you write for the papers?"

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Programme News

EUROPEAN CHILDREN

A Feature Programme of great interest is 'Children of Europe,' the story of what is happening to the children of post-war Europe.

The story is told in recordings made in their homes, in their bombed schools, in the streets where they play, at the feeding centres, in the hospitals, and in the institutions and clubs where they are looked after. The programme is written and produced by Marjorie Banks, and narrated by Edward Ward. (Eastern Service on Tuesday at 10.30 p.m.)

PORTRAIT OF CONRAD

'Radio Drama' this week presents 'How Now, Ulysses?', a portrait of Joseph Conrad. Conrad was born in land-locked Poland in 1857, went to sea at 17 was awarded his Master's Certificate in the British Merchant Service at 28, and left the sea finally in 1893 in order to write.

In late September, 1898, bitterly regretting that he had lost the 'security of the sea,' Conrad came to Glasgow to seek a ship. In the 'Portrait' to be broadcast in the Eastern Service on Sunday at 10.30 p.m. and in the General Overseas Service on December 16 at 5. p.m. and December 17 at 10.15 p.m. John Mack shows how the incidents of this and a later visit throw some light on the development of this great master of English prose.

Sunday, November 28

Eastern Service

P.M.
10.30 RADIO DRAMA 'HOW NOW, ULYSSES?'—A portrait of Conrad by Marlow. Written by John Mack.

General Overseas Service

A.M.
9.15 RING UP THE CURTAIN—BBC Theatre Orchestra Conductor: Walter Goehr Emma Tegani (soprano) Marko Rothmuller (baritone). In a programme of Operatic Music.
10.15 MUSIC OF THE REGIMENTS—Band of the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers.
10.45 CHURCHES AT WORSHIP—'Roman Catholicism in the North of England,' by Richard Twomey.
11.15 VARIETY CALLS THE TUNE—BBC Variety Orchestra with John Hendrick.

B.B.C. Highlights

P.M.
12.30 BRITISH CONCERT HALL—Philharmonia Orchestra. Conducted and presented by Stanford Robinson Ernest Lush (piano). Concerto Grosso No. 18 in B flat.
Handel
Sinfonia Concertante for piano and orchestra.....William Walton
Irish Rhapsody No. 4 in A minor: 'The fisherman of Lough Neagh and what he saw'.....Stanford
2.15 TIME FOR WORSHIP—from St. Chad's Church, Shrewsbury, conducted by the Rev. F. T. Horan.
2.45 FOOTBALL RESULTS.
3.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN.
4.15 GENERALLY SPEAKING 'In My Experience'
Dame Evelyn Sharp.
8.15 'ITMA'
8.45 LIFE IN BRITAIN.
9.15 MELODY TIME.—Geraldo and his Concert Orchestra.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 CONCERTO.—A series of weekly programmes Schumann's Piano Concerto in A minor, played by Georges Themeli and the BBC Northern Orchestra, conductor, Charles Groves. Programme also includes Beethoven's Overture: Prometheus; Stravinsky's Suite: Fire Bird.

Monday, November 29

Eastern Service
P.M.
10.50 FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME—'The Flaming Tinman's Fight' A dialogue from 'Lavengro' by George Borrow. Read by Stephen Jack with Roger Snowdon as the Tinker.

General Overseas Service
A.M.
10.45 JACK BYFIELD—and his Players.
P.M.
12.30 BAND PARADE.
1.30 MUSIC OF THE REGIMENTS—Band of the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers.
3.15 MUSIC FROM GRAND HOTEL—Palm Court Orchestra Directed by Tom Jenkins Trevor Anthony (bass)
3.45 MAINLY FOR WOMEN.
4.15 CRADLE TO GRAVE—'The Infant and the School Child'. Second of four programmes describing Britain's new Social Security System, written by John Harries.
5.00 CELERRITY RECITAL—Jacques Fevrier (piano).
6.15 ORCHESTRAS OF THE WORLD—10. London Philharmonic Orchestra (gramophone records)
8.15 MUSIC OF THE REGIMENTS—Band of the Royal Artillery (Mounted) Conductor: Lt. Basil H. Brown.
8.45 BRITISH INDUSTRY—A talk by William Holt.
9.15 MUSIC MEMORIES—Melachrino his Concert Orchestra.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 Eric Barker in—'THE WATER LOGGED SPA'
10.45 STRADIVARI ORCHESTRA—Directed by Michael Spivakowsky.

Tuesday, November 30

Eastern Service
P.M.
10.30 CHILDREN OF EUROPE—Written and produced by Marjorie Banks. Narrated by Edward Ward (edited version).

General Overseas Service
A.M.
9.15 LET'S MAKE MUSIC—featuring Lew Stone and his Orchestra, with Terry Devon and 'The Moonstones'.
10.00 GENERALLY SPEAKING.—A talk from the BBC Home Services
10.15 TIP TOP TUNES—Geraldo and his Orchestra
P.M.
12.30 VARIETY BANDBOX—with Frankie Howard, The Radio Revellers, Max Bygraves, Doris Gambell, Albert and Les Ward, Beryl Reid, and Jackie Allen and Barbara.
2.15 ST. ANDREW'S DAY: REVEILLE—by the pipes and drums of the 1st Battalion Royal Scots. Pipe-Major William Denholm.
2.30 ST. ANDREW'S DAY ANTHOLOGY 'My Own, My Native Land'.—Selected by Maurice Lindsay.
3.15 MUSIC FOR ST. ANDREW'S DAY 'Scots Serenade'.—The Scottish Country Players Conductor: John Robertson in a programme of cheerful Scottish music with the Scottish Country Singers.
5.00 BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA—Conductor: Sir Adrian Boult
Symphony No. 86 in D.....Haydn
5.30 FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME 'The Flaming Tinman's Fight'—A dialogue from 'Lavengro' by George Borrow. Read by Stephen Jack with Roger Snowdon as the Tinker.
6.15 ANNE SHELTON in Introducing Ann Again.
8.15 'TO TOWN WITH TERRY'—with Rawicz and Landauer, Adele Dixon, Ruth Dunning, April, May, and June, and Terry Thomas, BBC Variety Orchestra, conductor, Rae Jenkins.
8.45 BRITISH FARMER.—Fat Stock in 1948. Comment by John Green on the Birmingham Fat Stock Show.
9.15 LET'S MAKE MUSIC.—Eric Winstone and his Orchestra with Roy Marsh, Leslie Howard, Julie Dawn, and The Quartet, and Tito Burns and his Sextet.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
11.30 NEW RECORDS.—Presented by Spike Hughes.

Wednesday, December 1

General Overseas Service
A.M.
10.15 ARTHUR BIRKBY OCTET—with Billy Mayerl (piano) and Roland Robson (baritone).
11.45 STAR VARIETY—with the Two Leslies and Mario (Harp) Lorenzi.

P.M.
1.00 'DOUBLE IDENTITY'—A play by Charles Hatton.
1.45 LISTENERS' CHOICE.
5.00 FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME ENGLISH MUSIC—BBC Singers Conducted by Cyril Gell Margaret Schofield (piano) Leon Goossens (oboe) Zorian String Quartet Songs from England's Helicon for voices and piano.....
Ernest Walker
Quintet for oboe and strings Richard Arnell
(recorded repeat of first performance in England)
Two Part Songs: O happy eyes; Love.....Elgar
Two Part Songs: Love's Tempest; Serenade.....Elgar
6.15 SANDY MACPHERSON AT THE THEATRE ORGAN.
7.15 BBC MIDLAND LIGHT ORchestra.
8.15 SANDS WITHIN BANDS.—The Sidney Bright Septet from Geraldo's Orchestra.
8.30 VARIETY CALLS THE TUNE—BBC Variety Orchestra, conducted Rae Jenkins, with Lorely Dyer.
9.15 'YOUNG CHIPPIE'.—A new play for broadcasting by Lewis Grant Wallace. Introduced by the author.
9.45 JOAN AND VALERIE TRIMBLE—at two pianos.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 BAND PARADE.
11.45 THE THEATRE IN LONDON.—A talk by W. Macqueen Pope.

Thursday, December 2

General Overseas Service

A.M.
11.15 MANTOVANI—and his Orchestra.
P.M.
1.00 ARTHUR BIRKBY OCTET.
1.30 SPORTS BULLETIN.
1.45 AS THE COMMENTATOR SAW IT.—International Soccer: England v Switzerland at Highbury, commentator, Raymond Glendenning.
3.15 BBC SCOTTISH ORCHESTRA—Conductor: Ian Whyte Symphony No. 8 in F.....Beethoven
3.45 LIFE IN BRITAIN.
4.30 VARIETY CALLS THE TUNE—BBC Variety Orchestra with Teresa Corley.
5.00 'FAR FROM THE LAND'—A play for radio by Ruth Park.
7.15 STAR VARIETY—Maudie Edwards and Eddie Caroll.
7.30 BBC WELSH ORCHESTRA—Conductor: Mansel Thomas.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 BRITISH CONCERT HALL—Philharmonia Orchestra Conducted and presented by Constant Lambert
Symphonic Rhapsody 'Mai-Dun' John Ireland.
Symphony No. 1 in E flat...Borodin
11.30 THE BRAINS TRUST—Resident Team: Collin Brooks, Kingsley Martin, and Wilson Harris. Question-Master: Gilbert Harding

Keep this page for use during the week.

Friday, December 3

General Overseas Service
A.M.
11.15 BBC MIDLAND LIGHT ORCHESTRA.

P.M.
12.30 LISTENERS' CHOICE.
1.00 'ITMA'.
1.30 SPORTS BULLETIN.
2.15 CELEBRITY RECITAL Jacques Fevrier (piano).
2.45 ANNE SHELTON.
3.15 'MUCH-BINDING-IN-THE-MARSH'.
4.30 IN BRITAIN NOW—A National Magazine.
5.30 NEW RECORDS—Presented by Spike Hughes.
6.15 BOOKS TO READ.
8.15 JAZZ CLUB.
8.45 LOOKING AT BRITAIN.
9.15 BBC SCOTTISH ORCHESTRA—Conductor: Ian Whyte.
10.15 'FAR FROM THE LAND'—A play for radio by Ruth Park.

Saturday, December 4

General Overseas Service
A.M.
10.15 'MUCH-BINDING-IN-THE-MARSH'.
10.45 MAINLY FOR WOMEN.

P.M.
12.30 'THE WATERLOGGED SPA'.
1.00 BBC NORTHERN ORCHESTRA Conductor: Charles Groves.
Symphony No. 5 in D minor (Reformation).....Mendelssohn
5.00 'GREAT EXPECTATIONS'—by Charles Dickens 'Barnard's Inn'.
5.30 SCOTTISH MAGAZINE.
6.00 WORLD AFFAIRS.
6.15 THE THEATRE IN LONDON—A talk by W. Macqueen Pope.
7.15 EILEEN AND JOAN LOVELL—at two pianos.
7.30 'DOUBLE IDENTITY'—A play by Charles Hatton.
8.15 EILLY MAYERL—and his Music.
9.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 FRANK WEIR—and his Orchestra.
10.45 SATURDAY SPORT—including commentaries on Association Football: Luton Town v. Sheffield Wednesday, commentator, Raymond Glendenning. (Programme Announcements included in this period).

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Talking about Films.

LIFE IN SINCLAIR LEWISVILLE

BY FRED MAJDALANY

Sinclair Lewis has probably done more than anyone else to condition the English idea of the small American town.

The town gets a different name in each of his novels, but as far as I am concerned it is Sinclair Lewisville as clearly as if I had seen it on a map.

And it hasn't changed a bit. As far as can be discovered from the film of Mr. Lewis's latest book—"Cass Timberlane" life in Sinclair Lewisville (this time called Grand Republic) is as delightfully uncomplicated as ever.

It is inhabited by two kinds of people: The nobs, who live on something called The Heights, and the remainder, who live in great poverty near the shunting yards and the gasworks. There is nothing in between.

The nobs live in enormous ugly mansions full of hideous furniture and bric-a-brac. When they are not at home they are all at The Country Club. This is an even uglier mansion filled with even more hideous furniture.

Here the nobs make spiteful remarks about one another, and conduct most of their business. The Country Club is also a kind of stud where young nobs can be suitably mated so as not to interfere with the requirements of the Chamber of Commerce, in which all nob fathers are deeply interested.

The Country Club is extremely cross when its most eligible man, sturdy widower Judge Timberlane (Spencer Tracy) chooses to marry a tomboy (Lana Turner) whom he meets first as a witness in his courtroom and subsequently when he finds her playing base ball with boys near the gasworks.

Miss Turner takes to High Society pretty rapidly, and is soon worrying the judge by carrying on with his best friend (Zachary Scott).

After the usual minor permutations everything is nicely arranged; the judge has a chance to show that a citizen of Grand Republic can also be a Grand Democrat; Miss Turner realises that she is married to the best man in town—which, judging from the others on view, shouldn't have taken her so long; and Spencer Tracy gives another of his hearts - of - oak - in-three-thicknesses-of-tweed studies of a nice solid man.

One other thing I forgot to mention about Life in Sinclair Lewisville. The miracle of birth—nowadays taken more or less for granted elsewhere—is approached in a state of such frenzied hysteria that it is doubtful, to the very last moment, whether the father or the mother is going to have the baby. For the record, Lana has it.

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"The Small Voice" seems a bravely appropriate title for the first effort as an independent producer of Anthony Havelock-Allen, who seceded from the Rank Empire (or must I say Commonwealth?) to make it.

It is basically a good middlegrade thriller, and in the ordinary way there would be little more to say about it.

But it seems much better than that because of two outstandingly good performances by men.

First there is Harold Keel, an American who appeared in "Oklahoma" during the first year of its run. This is Mr. Keel's first film, and he is so obviously a top-class screen actor as well as top-class star personality that it is easy to understand why companies here and in Hollywood are falling over themselves to get hold of him.

Secondly there is Scottish James Donald, who has been around for some time but has not yet been given a real chance.

The story concerns the siege in their country home of a playwright and his wife by three escaped convicts Mr. Keel is the chief convict, Mr. Donald the playwright, an author of crime plays, who uses his criminological knowledge to play on the other man's nerve, and eventually break him down.

These actors make the duel (decorated and assisted by Valerie Hobson) a fascinating one.

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It is not a new idea that men who go about trying to make their neighbours love one another are liable to be treat-as criminals or lunatics.

The theme either has to have the streamlined satirical treatment Frank Capra gave to films like "Mr. Deeds" or be a piece of broad comedy for a certified comedian like Danny Kaye.

"It's Hard To Be Good" falls wretchedly between the two methods, so that its satire is unedged and its slapstick unfunny. Though Jimmy Hanley (as an ex-officer trying to sell love-thy-neighbour to a provincial town) cannot be blamed.

The only pleasure I could wring out of it was watching Anne Crawford.

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Scotland looms large in the film world just now. Biggest recent event has been the world premiere, in Edinburgh and London, of London Films' million pound Technicolor historical romance, "Bonnie Prince Charlie," scripted by Clemence Dance, one of Britain's leading women dramatists, and directed by Anthony Kimmins. Much of this picture, which traces the Young Pretender's story from the time he lands in Scotland in 1745, to his escape a few months later, was shot in the Highlands, and all who love Scotland or are drawn to her romantic beauty will enjoy the lovely glimpses of mountain and sea and sky. Pictorially, the film is at its best when it portrays the gathering of the Clans when they hear of Prince Charles's landing.

Something is shown of the clash between the daring Charles and the more cautious professional soldier, Lord George Murray, who leads the Scottish Army. This part is played by a fine upstanding actor, Jack Hawkins, who is well contrasted with the elegant Prince of David Niven.

But it is only when it reaches its second half—when the hunted Prince is helped by Flora MacDonald—that the film begins to touch the heart. This is largely due to the charming performance of a newcomer to the screen, Margaret Leighton, as Flora. Miss Leighton has looks and personality. After a training in repertory, she played two seasons with Britain's Old Vic Theatre Company. Her first film part was as the "modern" daughter in "The Winslow Boy." She is now again playing opposite David Niven, as Lady Blakeney in "The Elusive Pimpernel."

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A number of documentary films are to be made on Scottish subjects during the next twelve months. One, dealing with the life and work of Sir William MacEwen, eminent surgeon, will include a survey of Scottish hospitals. The City of Dundee will be the setting of a picture about the new industries set up in the district during and since the war. It will be called "The Rebirth of Dundee."

There will also be documentaries on life in the village communities; on fishery research, and on the Scottish fire services. All will be made by Films Division of Britain's Central Office of Information.

Scotland will also be featured in a forthcoming cartoon in the Rank Organisation "Musical Paintbox" series. Other districts to be treated in this new sketchbook and song style are London, the Pilgrim's Way, Somerset and Wiltshire, Lincolnshire, Warwickshire (including Stratford-upon-Avon), Devonshire and Cornwall.

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Among the many young actors working in British studies today the names of Robert Beatty ("Counterblast"), Derek Farr ("Bond Sreet"), David Farrar ("Black Narcissus"), Dennis Price ("Snowbound"), Dermot Walsh ("My Sister and I"), Maxwell Reed ("Daybreak"), Jimmy Hanley ("It Always Rains on Sunday"), Ronald Howard ("Bond Street"), and many others are fast becoming as familiar as those of older, more established stars so that British film producers have an ever growing selection of talent for casting their films.

QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Sir John Weir.
2. Free legal aid for persons with incomes below £420 annually.
3. Sportsmaster.
4. Italy, Austria, Finland, Eire, Portugal and Trans-Jordan.
5. Thursday's Child.
6. Between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.
7. West Point.

MY REPLY TO PAGE NINE

By A G.P. Who Is Carrying On

A G.P. has for reasons set out at some length, decided to quit the National Health Sevice.

His valediction reads more like a malediction, and it seems only fitting that his highly coloured and staccato observations should be met by someone like myself, who, in Dr. X's regrettable absence, will continue to shoulder the burden.

Let us consider first the crowded surgeries which constitute Dr. X's main bugbear. It was only to be expected at the inception of this Act that a large number of people would attend the doctor for trivial ailments.

In due course (and there are already signs of this) things will shake down. A sorting-out process is going on, and people will learn the folly of wasting their own and the doctor's time.

In any event, Dr. X's estimate of 180 surgery patients a day (taking his figure of 45 per hour) is a gross exagaggeration.

The figure is nearer 80, and when the novelty has worn off it will be nearer 50 for a saturated list. But the average number of patients will be around 2,000, with the surgery attendances in proportion.

Dr. X displays an uncanny hostility to certification. He even gibes at the colours, which in no wise serves his argument. A certificate is a direction doctor to an optician, employer, or Government department requiring them to carry out some function essential to the working of the Act.

They take only a few seconds to write, and the suggestion that such a simple and essential process is "soul-destroying" is utterly fantastic: so is Dr. X's statement that 40 to 45 per hour is the average rate of issue.

Here and there in his swansong Dr. X bursts into statistics which require more accuracy and concentration than characterise his dying notes.

For instance, he tells us that a 4,000 list returns the G.P. an income of £1,500. Now this is a thing I cannot understand, for 4,000 × 18s. makes £3 600.

Anyway, I would rather earn £1,000 in four quarterly Government Cq's, which never seem to get R/D'd, than collect a doubtful £1,500 in dribs and drabs from a forgetful clientele.

Ancient Spectacles

I WILL treat Dr. X's scathing references to spectacles, with all the seriousness they deserve, by reminding him that in Ancient Rome, when the population showed signs of unrest, the Government dished them out with free spectacles.

Dr. X further seeks to make our flesh creep with the following assertion: "Small wonder that no doctors' children are entering the profession now. . . . what men and women will take up this work in future?"

The medical profession, despite Dr. X's dismal adumbrations, continues to be an honourable and useful vocation, which, if it doesn't reward its devotees with fortunes, provides them at least with a decent competence and a fine opportunity to serve their fellow-citizens.

I have practised for many years among poor people, and after the first visit or two I have been ashamed to ask for a fee, and, indeed, have often refused the coins timidly held out to me. All this is now a thing of the past.

No Burden Now

INSTEAD of being confronted by an anxious mother, not knowing which way to turn for medical fees, I can go in day by day to my case and see the whole thing through, knowing that I am not imposing a financial burden on the family; nor is there any limit whatsoever to the medicines and medical appliances I can obtain for the sufferer.

Let me, then, as a worker under the N.H.S. offer these final observations. The Act, one of the greatest pieces of social legislation ever introduced, owes its evolution to ALL the political parties and to successive teams of social reformers, philanthropists, and statesmen.

Such a great scheme could not have had its inception without the pangs of birth. By trial and error the initial difficulties and dissatisfactions will be overcome, and we shall see in our generation a healthier and happier nation.

New Books

A GAY BEST SELLER

By Peter Quennell

Have I ever told you about my operation? At this simple but formidable query even the stoutest heart is apt to miss a beat or two.

Yet, egotistical as the question seems and appalling as are the conversational results it usually produces, what a vast array of human anxieties often skulk behind those deadly words!

For, sick or sound, we are all of us afraid of illness, and because we are secretly afraid we vent our fears in small talk. We imagine the foreboding look on the doctor's face, masked but not disguised by an air of stolid optimism; the heartrending business of parting and packing of bidding farewell to familiar objects we may not need again for weeks or months.

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The sick inhabit a world of their own, and in *The Plague and I* Betty MacDonald describes an involuntary voyage of exploration through that mysterious universe.

She entered it at a moment's notice. One day she was a busy American office-worker, intermittently troubled by indigestion and bothered by a racking cough; the next she had been marked down as another victim of tuberculosis.

Soon a sanatorium had thrown open its doors. She was lying in a trim and cheerless bed, between sheets as white and almost as chilly as an untrodden Alpine snowfield.

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In her new surroundings efficiency came first comfort and sympathy took a second place:

"The staff at The Pines had but one motivating factor—to get the patients well. This motivating factor, like a policeman's nightstick, was twirled over our heads 24 hours a day. . . . Years and years of working with people who clutched their tuberculosis to them like a beloved old shawl and dared the doctors and nurses to get it away from them. . . . had finally worn off any little facets of sympathy and tenderness and left the system smooth, efficient, and immutable."

Thus every member of the staff was a disciplinarian; some of them were martinets. They drilled their patients into health and sanity; and, human nature being far from logical, few of the recruits they handled remembered to say "Thank you."

Betty MacDonald was as rebellious as any, but she had consolations denied to most unhappy invalids—an unfailing sense of the ludicrous, a gift of enjoyment that even illness could not take away, and the knack of frequently forgetting herself in the close and affectionate observation of her fellow human creatures.

Hospital discipline might seek to expel humanity; but it came creeping back to that Arctic bed, and on its trail crept cheerfulness.

No literary subject could be less hilarious Disease was all round her; rumours of death, accomplished or impending, often stole along the corridors; yet the book she has now written is, in the finest sense, high-spirited.

One shudders but laughs as one reads her story, and after a time one forgets to shudder, while the laughs become more numerous.

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Betty MacDonald is not—nor does she pretend to be—a deliberate literary artist. But as a reporter she is hard to beat; and the strange universe she found at The Pines, with its pathetic, fantastic, sometimes repulsive inhabitants, gave her the material she needed.

Her book is full of remarkably vivid portraits—Kimi, the charming Japanese girls who, although diminutive by American standards, was sufficiently large to be considered by her family an unmarriageable monster; Eileen, who broke every hospital rule, fought for her right to wear silk pyjamas and read endless movie magazines concealed beneath the bedclothes; and Minna, who was "very Southern," sneaked on her fellow-patients, pined monotonously for "*mah Sweetie-Pie*," at heart really loved her disease but repeatedly protested that she "*suah was lonely.*"

Yes, Betty MacDonald tells us all about her operation; but the manner of telling she has adopted is one that does her credit.

HOW TO TELL WHO WINS A FIGHT

Another uproar over a big fight, another referee jeered at and escorted from the ringside like a man publicly discredited, set people asking yesterday: "What's wrong with boxing verdicts?"

But is the referee always wrong. Do his detractors, really know what they are shouting about? I doubt it when I hear observations coming from the expensive seats such as "Oh, yes, a straight left counts twice as many points as a right."

How does a referee judge a contest? It is both perfecty simple and terribly difficult. He awards marks (or points) for attack and defence. He gives them for clean hits with the knuckle part of the glove of either hand on any part of the front or sides of the head or body above the belt.

The words "clean" and "knuckle" are important, for all blows that land do not comply with these requirements. They are "cuffed" or delivered with the flat or tips of the gloves and are therefore disregarded.

Defence covers such things as guarding, slipping of punches ducking, and getting away.

For all these things the referee awards points, and he does so on the narrow basis of a 5-4 margin. That is to say, he gives five points to the winner of a round and a proportionate number to his opponent which might be 4 or 4½ or 4¼.

So the card of Mr. Charlie Thomas, the centre of Monday's disturbance, might read: Round 1—Roderick 5, Hall 4½; Round 8—Hall 5, Roderick 4¼—and so on. (The narrow margin is for referees' personal protection. If a boxer died in the ring and the scorecard showed him to be many points behind, a referee would have no satisfactory answer to the Coroner's question "Why did you not stop the contest before the fatal blow?").

The referee's other handicap is that boxing superiority is a matter of opinion. A cricket score is irrefutable. Three goals in a football net are facts, so is a yard margin in a running race, but a boxing verdict is something one can argue about. . . . "The referee is incompetent." "He's a mug," or (if you've got a fiver on the loser) "He's a crook."

A boxer who finishes a 15-round contest looking the fresher and stronger, who has taken command in the later stages (as Roderick did), is not necessarily the winner. It is the total score that counts—and how many in a boxing crowd keep a score as accurately and with the same careful calculation as the referee, who enjoys an arm's-length view?

GEOFFREY SIMPSON

TOO BUSY TO DIE

By Edward Shanks

Before ever I opened this volume* it occurred to me how the loneliness of an American President is reflected in the persons of Colonel House, who was for a long time so close to Woodrow Wilson, and of Harry Hopkins, who was perhaps even closer to Franklin Roosevelt.

The President's position is certainly lonelier than that of a British Prime Minister, who, even in the Cabinet room, is but first among his peers and subject at any moment to the invigorating rough-and-tumble of the House of Commons. The President, "the Man in the White House," needs a friend whom he can trust and use, who usefulness and trustworthiness do not depend on office.

Hardly had these thoughts taken shape in my mind when I found myself (on Page 4) listening to Roosevelt saying to Wendell Willkie: "Some day you may well be sitting here where I am now as President of the United States. And when you are, you'll be looking at that door over there and knowing that practically everybody who walks through it wants something out of you. You'll learn what a lonely job this is, and you'll discover the need for somebody like Harry Hopkins, who asks for nothing but to serve you."

That description is in the main, though not completely, true. Hopkins had dreams of being more than Roosevelt's servant: at one time he wanted, as Mr. Sherwood makes clear, to succeed him as President. The dream faded, but the desire to serve persisted.

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One of the things of which Mr. Sherwood speaks is "the extent to which the New Deal conditioned Roosevelt and Hopkins and, indeed, the American people as a whole for the gigantic efforts required of them in global war."

He adds: "For Hopkins in particular the New Deal provided ideal training in combat conditions, for his life then was a series of ferocious battles against widespread misery, natural disasters, local politicians, other Government agencies and the innumerable critics in the Congress and the Press who kept his free-spending programme constantly under fire."

All this made Harry Hopkins a pretty considerable figure on the stage of United States affairs. But he appeared, and very conspicuously, on the international stage when early in 1941 Roosevelt sent him as his personal representative to London on a mission of undefined and therefore enormous scope.

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Of course nothing whatever might have come of it. But what did come of it. Hopkins's contacts with Mr. Churchill and other leading personages in this country, his establishment of himself as a trusted intermediary between them and his principal in Washington — all this is a matter of history which will not be forgoten until the whole history of Western civilisation is struck off the record as something not worth remembering.

One thing to be remembered now is that is was, to begin with, his own idea. The President one day expressed the wish that he could talk to the British Prime Minister face to face, regretted that then it was impossible. Hopkins thought he might go instead. The suggestion, at first rejected, was at last accepted.

So that frail body, which had never seemed to have more than the hold of a year or two on on life, undertook the first of a series of momentous journeys and made itself into a considerable cog-wheel in the machine which was eventually to grind Germany and Japan into small pieces.

This first volume of the Hopkins Papers carries us a little way beyond America's entry into the war, after Pearl Harbour. The second volume will go beyond Roosevelt's death and the consummation which the two friends had worked for so devotedly.

Happier than Colonel House, Hopkins retained the confidence of his chief to the very end and died not much later in the knowledge of victory. One feels that he could not have lived so long if he had not felt that there was so much for him to do.

* **The White House Papers of Harry L. Hopkins. Vol. I. By Robert E. Sherwood. Eyre & Spottiswoode, 25s.**

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I Heard Their Boots Clattering Heavily Across The Rubble..... And I Ran

MY TRUE SHORT STORY

BY JENNY NICHOLSON
"Sunday Herald" Roving Reporter

The old man at the entrance could have no reason for preventing my going into the Reichstag. The building was deserted—a gutted monster.

There was absolutely nothing—as far as I knew—to stop me taking photographs of it. The old man appeared to have no official authority. So I shoved past him, leaving him muttering crossly.

Inside all was rubble and confusion The place has been abandoned since the fire of 1935, and weather and bombs have added to the general chaos.

Taking Pictures

It was a sunny autumn morning, and the Brandenburg Gate, which I photographed from a window, looked splendid with an airlift Skymaster prowling above it and a Russian jeep passing through the arch from its own sector into ours.

I noticed the jeep again when I was taking a photograph from another window. It was drawn up at the foot of the grandiose white concrete Russian Victory Monument, which stands a 100 yards inside the British sector. They were changing the guard, who stands motionless always at the top of the flight of steps.

I continued to scramble around inside the Reichstag for some time, getting incredibly dusty and photographing some curiously Hellenic vistas of ruined rooms.

I was focusing my camera on a cathedral-like scene—the sun slanting down brightly through the high dome on to a mad pile of masonry which lay in the big central hall—when theatrically from the darkness beyond the dusty sunbeam two Russian soldiers stepped into the picture.

Pursuit Is On

My first reaction was an artistic pleasure at seeing them standing there in their high boots, belted tunics, flat caps and slung tommy-guns—looking upwards into the light, studying the twisted girders of the dome: they improved the picture tremendously, and quickly I took the photograph.

But my next swift reaction was to wish I hadn't. In the great silence of the place the click had sounded as loud as a gunshot The Russians stiffened like deer frightened at a forest pool. They turned and peered in my direction as I shrank back instinctively into the shadow of a broken wall.

They exchanged a couple of sharp sentences. Then I heard their boots clattering heavily across the rubble, and I ran. The spark of fear is easily kindled in Berlin these days. I was in the British Sector. The Russian soldiers were allies. Theoretically I was perfectly safe. But I ran.

I floundered out on to a balcony. The Russians sounded as if they were clattering away from me, but I realised they would have to take a circuitous route round the stairs to get to me. Obviously they wanted my camera.

The old man downstairs must have told them I was in here taking photographs — taking photographs alone. The Russians sounded as if they were doubling back in my direction. I looked quickly down from the balcony—a sheer 30ft. drop below. No way of climbing down. But at least I could get rid of the camera. There was a soft-looking heap of earth down there. I could lower the camera on to it, and, with any luck, retrieve it later.

Then I could walk past the soldiers, and so politely allowing them to see my empty hands. They would let me go if they saw I had no camera with me. I was sure that, like all Russians, they had this lunatic passion for cameras, watches, and radio sets.

I hauled the camera sharply up again on its leather strap. I had remembered what a German girl told me the day before. In Prague, when war ended, she had bought herself out of the licentious embraces of a Russian soldier with her radio set. They might want me—that was something I hadn't thought of.

True, the soldier in Prague had been too primitive in his reasoning to realise that he could have had both the girl and the radio set; but the formula might work again. At all costs I must cling to my own ransom.

The Russians sounded as if at any second they would reach me. I ran along the balcony and off it into another room. The pursuit was on. I moved. They moved. Sometimes for minutes at a time both I and they managed to move silently. Then one of us would accidentally dislodge some rubble and again give ourselves away.

Because the maze of rooms had been made more complicated by destruction, I was sometimes able to put quite a distance between us, but at other times they would seem to be so dreadfully close that I couldn't see why they hadn't caught me.

With a frantic idea of calling for help, I got out on to another balcony, but there was no human soul in the huge eerie landscape within calling distance. Nothing but a tug churning slowly up the canal. But would the bargees hear or understand me if I risked shouting? And if they did, would they come to my rescue? I remembered that the canals were Russian-operated.

Out Of Breath

I turned back into the building and found myself near the main stairs.

But just in time I caught sight of the bad-tempered old man skulking in the shadows near the top. I was sure he had been posted there to prevent my escape.

At length, out, of breath and helpless, I crept into a tiny, dark room, squatted on a pile of rubble and waited hopelessly to be discovered. Several times I heard the Russians stumbling around. Then for a long time I heard nothing at all.

I was getting cramp. I had to move. A piece of rubble came loose and subsided noisily, but nothing happened. Several minutes later there was the same noise of rubble finding its own level—a hundred yards from the room in which I had last heard the scuffle of boots.

'They Have Gone'

There was curse and a shout. And an answering shout, followed by the clatter of boots stamping down the marble stairs. A few seconds afterwards the sound of a jeep roaring away. And then the old man laughing and shouting: "Fraulein, the Russians have gone."

He could hardly speak, he was laughing so much. "Du liebe Gott, Fraulein: you gave them the fright of their lives. I have been much enjoying the spectacle. How frightened they were that you should be chasing them with your camera. They say this is ou of bounds to Russian troops. Imagine what would happen to them if there was a picture of them in the Western sector papers." They would have been shot, of course.

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Lane Norcott

A Thought For Today

This is the time of year, Elinor, when we should all give a kindly thought to marooned lighthouse-keepers.

Poor fellows! There they are, stuck for weeks in their great tall round flats, in which even the furniture doesn't fit, we suppose, but stands out awkwardly from the walls, giving the place a makeshift, uncomfortable look.

Think of the housework alone, child! Morning after morning crawling round and round on the hands and knees backwards, scrubbing literally hundreds of circular front-door steps! And perhaps with a storm blowing up too and the brushes running short.

That is no life for men who love their comfort—sporting men, for all we know to the contrary, who may wish to back a greyhound or a horse. Why, if *we* had to put *our* bets in a bottle and consign them to the deep, we'd never gamble again.

We can only hope, Elinor, that these marooned lighthouse-keepers find some little consolation in the sure knowledge that their lights are never likely to go out unexpecetdly, leaving them with a saucepan in their hand, anxiously wondering where the stove is.

The Ministry of Fuel and Power would never dare to "shed" their current. That would cause the very devil of a fuss at Lloyd's.

Whither Sausages?

It is the proud boast of the Ministry of Food that not a single intaker of nutrition has yet struck Mr. Strachey in anger with the modern sausage.

However, there is a good but insufficient reason for this. Many potential consumers wisely prefer to wrap these little prefabricated plastic-type truncheons round their bicycle rims and fry their tyres instead.

Asked recently by one of Dainty Dr. Summerskill's more mealy-mouthed Food Facters to suggest some suitable euphemisms to describe a new delicacy to be known as Intake *Bon Surprise* or Savoury Sausage Porridgette, an outspoken philologist tasted it grudgingly and said: "It is byssiferous, brockish, buckish, bodeful, baffling, and positively bestial."

Asked if he couldn't think of a more flattering term than "bestial," such as "tasty" or "nourishing," he thought for a minute and then said "revolting."

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Progress Report

Should film stars rank as royalty, perhaps wearing gold crowns and carrying sceptres (jewelled Oscars) when they graciously appear, ermine-clad, before their loyal and hysterical subjects, or should they be kept permanently in round tin boxes? That is the burning question of the day.

Alas! in a recent and important broadcast to the nation a particularly queenly little all-British cutie, whose world-famous name for the moment escapes us, threw no light on this matter, contenting herself with mere passing references to her previous triumphs, her great work in progress, her directors, producers, leading men, costumiers, hairdressers, composers, lyric writers, and the date and place of her forthcoming *premiere*.

It is thought in bewildered listening circles that she may deliberately have omitted to mention the price of the seats for fear of infringing the B.B.C.'s stern law against advertising.

For ourself we are prepared to accept either contingency, tin box or gilded coach, with equal equanimity, being vastly fortified by the news that a far-sighted vintner has generously decided to reduce the price of his gin to 1s. 8d. a nip.

And there Elinor, we must leave this momentous question, perhaps for ever, having done little more than scrape the upper surface of it, as is the practice of shallow minds when struggling with deep and solemn matters beyond their ken.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. What are the heights of the three most active volcanoes in the world and where are they to be found?
2. Assuming you are aware of its existence where is Mount Stalin to be found?
3. What do you imagine to be the approximate population of Turkey?
4. Nine islands in the Atlantic, Flores, Corvo, Terceira, San Jorge, Pico, Fayal, Graciosa, Sao Miguel and Santa Maria, are grouped under a much more familiar name. Do you know it?
5. Where would you look if you were seeking the Pillars of Hercules?
6. Modern German historians refer to the Nazi regime as the Third Reich. Who established the First and the Second?
7. Which is the oldest settlement of European origin in America? It was discovered by Christopher Columbus in 1492 and a settlement was built in 1496

(Answers on Page Four)

NEWS QUIZ

1. Who is the personal physician of His Majesty King George VI?
2. The British Government is proposing to provide another service free of charge. What is it this time?
3. What won the Manchester November Handicap?
4. The United States is pressing for the immediate admission of six states to the United Nations. Can you name at least four of them?
5. Mrs. Morrow-Tait and her navigator, Michael Townsend, were in a crash landing in Alaska. Can you recall the quaint name of her plane?
6. An announcement was made this week of water restrictions in the Colony to take effect as from December 1? Remember the hours during which water will be cut off?
7. Another big fire in a squatters' hut settlement occurred on Tuesday, in Nam Lee Street. In what part of the Colony is that?

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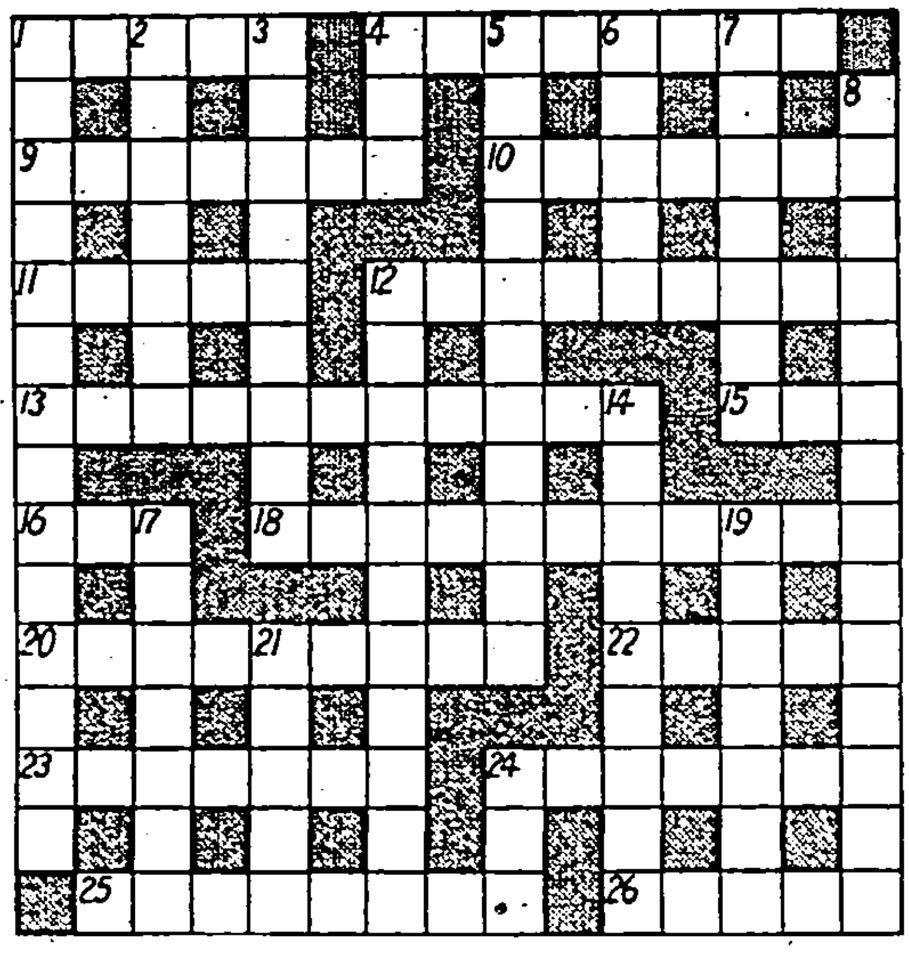

ACROSS

1 "When love with unconfined wings Hovers within my—" (Lovelace). (5)
4 It's Chang who is so withering. (8)
9 It might be dried very softly. (7)
10 Can I be so friendly? (7)
11 The atmosphere of the seaside. (5)
12 But will the G.P.O. accept the King of Beasts for transit? (9)
13 Hairless bun for bathroom. (4, 7)
15 Three parts a monarch, relatively speaking. (3)
16 It used to turn out officers, but not regularly. (3)
18 Everything of this sort goes on parallel lines. (4, 7)
20 A cruel gin, maybe, for the sufferer. (9)
22 Score resulting from game bye-law. (5)
23 This duplicate is not a carbon copy. (7)
24 The sort of denomination that has only a third of the faith? (7)
25 The deer went back round the corner (8)
26 Does this take the place of the yew in Scottish churchyards? (5)

DOWN

1 America is evidently the antithesis of a devil of a place (4, 3, 7)
2 If one but stumble, the oil is split. (7)
3 We had this all last month (9)
4 The sort of stuff George III considered a great part of Shakspeare to be. (3)
5 Apt to make people quite unfeeling. (11)
6 This republic is only half this island. (5)
7 Skill with this enables one to minimize the effects of a bad lie. (7)
8 Dear Ann patched it—for the cathedral. (4, 3, 7)
12 How to fill the granaries in very wet weather. (7, 4)
14 Even such occupation may aid production. (5,4)
17 A cruel bungle about a member. (7)
19 This dolt would have no lean look (7)
21 "—! the fancy cannot cheat so well" (Keats). (5)
24 Hal stopped with him. (3)

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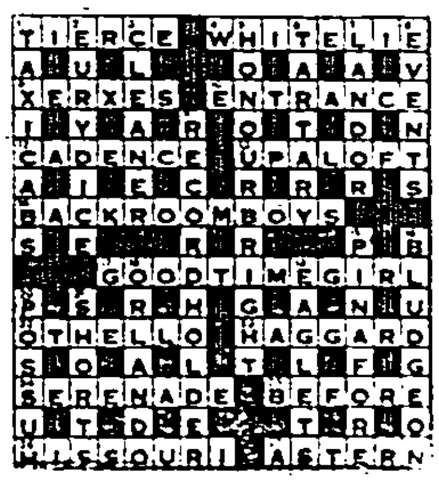

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BRIDGE

When a vulnerable Grand Slam is made and only a Small Slam bid, the partners have lost the equivalent of an ordinary rubber. A Grand Slam should be bid if the chances are two to one in favour of success. The difficulty is how to assess these chances during the bidding. Consider these partnership hands:

SOUTH (dealer).	NORTH
S A Q	S x x x
H A K J x x	H Q x x
D x	D A x x x
C A K Q x x	C J 10 9

It is a matter of opinion how the bidding should proceed after South's opening game-forcing bid. There are 12 "plus" winners in the two hands and one should be developed. Playing CAB North would bid Three Diamonds over South's Two Clubs to show this ace. The actual bidding ended in a brilliant bid of Seven Clubs, but the declarer did not see till next morning how he could have made his contract after the lead of the King of Diamonds. West had the guarded King of Spades, so the problem was how to make 13 tricks without risking the finesse.

If the Grand Slam depended on this finesse it would have been wrong to bid it. Actually it depended on the outstanding Clubs being divided three and two, a 70 per cent chance justifying a Grand Slam bid.

As this is a more favourable chance than the 50 per cent finesse chance (for the 13th trick) South should form his plan of play accordingly and take three ruffs of Diamonds with South's high Clubs. The count of tricks then is *one* in Spades, *five* in Hearts, *four* in Diamonds (including three ruffs) and *three* in Clubs, 13 in all.

A contract of Seven Hearts would have been possible only if North had held the Ten instead of a small Heart. A match-point preference for Hearts would have lost these. It was a pity to have found the right contract in so few minutes and to have been so many hours late in finding the proper play!

I asked some average players to form their plan of play here, and it was strange how few do the one essential thing first, i.e., count their sure tricks.

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MADAME CHIANG WILL MAKE VISIT TO U.S.A.

To Solicit Further Help For Nanking Government

NOT OFFICIALLY INVITED

Washington, November 27.

President Chiang Kai-Shek will not get an official White House invitation to come to Washington to discuss China's plight, but his wife is planning to visit the United States.

President Truman today turned down a suggestion by representative Sol Bloom, New York Democrat, that the Generalissimo be asked to come to the U.S. to present a first hand account of conditions in China.

Emerging from the President's office, Mr. Bloom told reporters that President Truman "did not see how Chiang could leave China at this time."

The Congressman, who is to head the House Foreign Affairs Committee, said he reached the same conclusion after talking over the matter with the President.

But, Mr. Bloom asserted: "What we need is real information about the Chinese situation, information of the kind we can not get simply by sending men into China to stay a few weeks."

Meanwhile, Madame Chiang's impending visit was made known by the State Department and confirmed by the Chinese Embassy.

Both said they knew no details at all, even the time of her arrival or the length of her stay.

The press officer, Michael J. McDermott, of the State Department indicated that no official invitation had been extended to her by the Washington Government.

To Solicit Aid

Madame Chiang is understood to have received invitations from private organisations. Mr. McDermott said he did not know under whose auspices she plans the trip.

There appeared to be little doubt in any quarter, however, that the prime purpose of her mission would be to solicit further help from the United States for the Central Chinese Government in the war against the Communists.

She appealed for such assistance over the radio last Sunday, in a broadcast from China. In that speech, she said she had received requests from many quarters that she undertake a trip to the United States. She said, however, she was not able to leave immediately.

Madame Chiang, educated in the U.S., made her latest appearance here in the winter of 1942-43.

Better Scheme

Mr. Bloom noted that the joint Congressional "watchdog" Committee overseeing operations of the foreign aid programme has despatched William C. Bullitt, former Ambassador, to China. A former Senator, D. Worth Clark, recently returned from a mission there for the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Mr. Bloom said, however, he thought it would be better to bring someone over here they could meet with on the Hill (at the Capitol) and get a better idea of the situation.

Generalissimo Chiang has written personally to Mr. Truman on behalf of his Nationalist Government.

Cabinet Meeting

The President held an hour-long session with his Cabinet today.

The Secretary of State, Mr. George Marshall, brought the Cabinet up to date on the international situation.

While further details were not disclosed, no appraisal of the international scene would be complete without a comprehensive discussion of the situation in China.—Associated Press.

SIAM ASKS AMERICA FOR ARMS

Washington, November 27.

Siam has asked the United States for arms to equip five battalions of troops for possible use against Communists in Southern Siam.

The request was handed to the State Department, where it is under joint consideration with the United States Army. A decision can be expected within a fortnight.

Siam has made a similar request to Britain.

Military sources declined to discuss the nature of the equipment for which Siam is asking, but it is believed to be of light mobile character, especially machine guns, jeeps and trucks.

Phra Prakas Sabakorn, Siamese Vice-Minister of Agriculture, representing Siam at the Food and Agriculture Organisation conference, said the Siam Government was not expecting serious threats in the South.—Associated Press.

Cease-Fire Ordered In Burma

Rangoon, November 26.

The Supreme Council of the militaristic People's Volunteer Organisation today ordered an immediate cease-fire by its White Band members who have been aiding the Communist insurrection against the Burmese Government.

The order was signed by Ba Po Kun, who resigned as Minister of Education last August after the expulsion of the majority of the PVO from the Anti-Fascist People's Freedom League, which it had hitherto served as a fighting force.

This majority became known as the White Band Volunteers and went underground, joining the White Flag Communists in the revolt against Thakin Nu's Government.

The minority, known as the Yellow Band Volunteers, remained loyal to the League and the Government.

Government forces killed 22 insurgents in a clash in the Pakokku district, South West of Mandalay, a military communique stated tonight. It added that insurgents were reported to have destroyed two railway bridges at Toungoo, midway between Rangoon and Mandalay.

Three insurgents were killed when police patrol boats beat off attacks in the Pyapon district of the Irrawaddy Delta.—Reuter.

BILL OF RIGHTS

A Great Landmark Of Civilisation

Paris, November 27.

A worldwide Bill of Rights was born here to-day. It proclaims freedom and equality for everyone.

Delegates of the 58 nations completed the last of 28 draft articles of a declaration on human rights, leaving only the preamble and a possible new article or two to be acted upon before the document moves from the Social Committee to the General Assembly for final approval.

The Committee—on which representatives of all 58 nations sit—has spent two years working on the document which is hailed by UN officials as one of the great landmarks of civilisation.

A human rights covenant legally binding on all signatory nations is to be drawn up before next year's UN Assembly. It would provide for sanctions in the case of violation of the rights.

Today's declaration calls for an end to discrimination based on race, colour, sex, language, religion, political belief, property, birth or national or social origin.

It would prohibit slavery, the slave trade and torture. Equal rights for men and women in marriage and divorce are proclaimed and freedom of religion is secured with the right of everyone to change his religion or belief.

The declaration safeguards freedom of opinion with the right to seek, receive and impart information and ideas regardless of frontiers.

Children born out of wedlock are to have the same social protection as those born in marriage and free universal and compulsory education is to be established with equal access to higher education on the basis of merit.

Dr. Charles Malik of the Lebanon, the Social Committee chairman; believes the declaration will arouse wide interest in many countries:

"People everywhere will read it," he says, "and argue on the basis of it. They will bring pressure to bear on their Governments to modify national legislation in conformity with its principles."—Associated Press.

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Smallpox Epidemic In Mindoro

Manila, November 27.

United States and Filipino public health workers joined forces to battle a smallpox epidemic on the island of Mindoro, South West of Manila. The Government announced that a quarantine screen had been thrown around the island in the North Central Philippines.

Dr. Felipe Arenas, Health Director, reported 50 smallpox cases since October 1. Four have died. An estimated 28,000 have been vaccinated. While the disease is being brought under control, Dr. Arenas said, all ships and aircraft entering or leaving the affected area will be given a rigid health inspection.—Associated Press.

U.N. Aid For Hong Kong Children

Lake Success, November 27.

Hong Kong is one of the areas which will be aided by the United Nations Children's Emergency Fund.

The Fund will establish its new Far Eastern Commission headquarters in Manila.

The Manila office will direct a US$3,300,000 programme in eight nations and six British territories. It will be the first U.N. programme for children in the Far East, and in some areas the first U.N. operation of any kind.

Apart from Hong Kong, the areas to be aided are India, Pakistan, Ceylon, French Indonesia, the Philippines, Burma, Siam, Malaya, North Borneo, Sarawak, Brunei and Singapore.

China has a separate UNCEF programme if its own.—Associated Press.

WESTERN POWERS OPEN EUROPEAN UNITY TALKS

Paris, November 26.

The Committee on European Unity of the five Western powers, meeting here today for the first time, elected M. Edouard Herriot, Chairman of the French National Assembly, as its president.

M. Herriot, who is 74, remained seated because of illness when he received the five nations' representatives for the meeting at his official residence in Paris.

Press representatives were not admitted to today's opening session. The delegates are expected to study two main proposals for European unity.

1.—A British suggestion that a Council of Ministers of the countries seeking federation be set up and meet periodically to examine current questions.

2.—A French proposal for the creation of a European Parliament elected by the Parliaments of the respective countries.

M. Herriot said the proceedings would be private and the Committee report would be secret until it is submitted to the Consultative Council of the five Western Union powers.

Battle Of Ideas

Speeches of welcome were exchanged at today's session and the agenda will be considered at tomorrow afternoon's session.

A battle of ideas between Britain and France on how to lay the foundations of a United Europe began behind the screen of official silence covering today's meeting.

The British Government's opposition to the plan favoured by France for a European Assembly or Parliament at an early date has weakened a little in the past few months.

The British delegation, headed by Dr. Hugh Dalton, is, however, expected in circles close to the other delegations to adopt a guarded attitude to the French proposal.

Britain and France, they expect, will court the support of the Benelux group—Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg—for their respective views.—Reuter.

Hunger Reds' Ally In Far East

Washington, November 27.

Pakistan told the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation today that poverty and hunger will send the teeming millions of the East rolling into the arms of the Communists unless economic aid is provided soon.

"There is little time to lose," the Pakistan delegate, H. S. Misahque, said.

Under developed countries in the world need big and generous assistance from the large and generous brothers. He did not specify nations he considers capable of helping out.

The Pakistan call for economic aid led off a series of similar demands for help in relieving world food shortages. The demands came out at a committee session in connection with the FAO annual meeting.

The Pakistan delegate said it is difficult to suggest whether aid should take the shape of a really large scale expansion and liberalisation of the activities of the International Bank and Monetary fund, which in his opinion is far too restricted, or whether a system of lend lease, or a similar plan for the Far East, is indicated.

Chie Mai-chen, Chinese delegate, criticised the world bank loan policy and said that China's impression is that no really poor country can get money from the bank.

"I do not like to see the bank lending to the rich and landlord countries," he said.—Associated Press.

JOKE WAS ON THE GUNMEN

Manila, November 27.

Chu Fong, Chinese bread peddler, puzzled Baguio police when he started laughing. He had been held up, robbed, shot at twice and hit in the thigh. Still he laughed.

Chu Long let the police in on the joke. What the gunmen took was a thick roll of Japanese puppet money, a useless relic of the last war.—Associated Press.

A Quiet Life For The King

London, November 26.

King George VI may have to lead a quiet life for the rest of his days, the British medical publication, the Lancet, said yesterday.

Commenting on the disclosure that the King is suffering from an obstruction to the arterial circulation in the legs and that the defective blood supply to the right foot causes anxiety, the Lancet said.

"Its seriousness is all too evident and is the more impressive because in a life of service, the King has so seldom allowed himself to be deflected from any public task whether great or small.

"Yet there is good hope that, provided the acute phase yields to rest and treatment, it will be followed by a renewal of health and strength.

"But the King will have to purchase continuing health at the cost of some of his more strenuous activities."

The King met the Privy Council today in the Royal Apartment at Buckingham Palace.—Associated Press.

POPE RETURNING TO VATICAN

Rome, November 26.

Pope Pius XII will leave his summer palace at Castel Gondolfo, on the shores of Lake Albano, tomorrow night to drive the 16 miles by road to the Vatican.

The Castel Gondolfo villagers today brought him traditional gifts of wheat, fruit and poultry which will go to the poor and needy of Rome.

The Pope today received the head of the Iranian delegation to the United Nations, Nojai Esfandiari, a former Foreign Minister, in private audience at Castel Gondolfo.—Reuter.

PACIFIC QUAKE

Berkeley, November 26.

The University of California today recorded a moderately strong earthquake at 10.49 p.m. daylight time 6,200 miles away, possibly in the Philippines area or the Western Pacific Ocean depths.—United Press.

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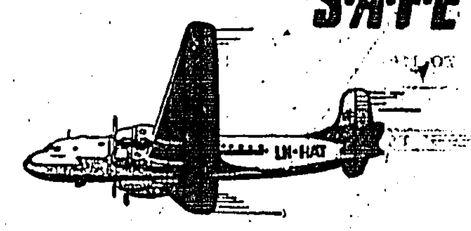

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THERE'S PROPAGANDA IN BERLIN'S TREES

BY JOHN FISHER

Picture a battered capital city where the housewife has to rise at three o'clock in the morning to cook the family's lunch; where sweet coupons are parachuted from aeroplanes on Sundays; and where bitter sentiments are expressed on the question as to whether more trees or fewer trees should be cut down for winter fuel.

More trees or fewer trees? At any rate there's fuel for Russian propaganda in that question.

Let me give you some sidelights on the Berlin situation, sidelights which will help you to imagine life today among the ruins of Germany's first city as winter closes in on it.

First I should tell you that I came back to Berlin from England only a short while ago. Yet already I am taking for granted the incongruities of our existence here.

Returning to my quarters at the hour of three in the morning, just after finishing a night story on which I've been working, I see a sudden blaze of light. Now I accept the phenomenon.

It tells me that a hundred thousand families in one corner of the city have just had the electric current turned on for two hours, and that they are now rising to hurry through their cooking and to catch the latest radio bulletin before darkness falls again.

Life's little social customs in this city have diverged fantastically from the normal, too. For instance, you don't send a girl flowers any more. Instead you offer her a hot bath at your house any afternoon that you are not at home.

Craziest Thing

At first, the craziest thing in Berlin seems to be that British and American families are here at all. In this city they are bearing the hardships of a besieged garrison without really being besieged. They could make a sortie and leave Berlin any time they really wanted to, and, by the way they are being treated, you might think that the authorities were trying to make them quit. Nevertheless, after a little time, you realise that General Robertson and General Clay have very good reasons for wanting British and American families to stay in Berlin.

Any sign that women and children were about to leave Berlin would be taken by the Germans as an indication that the British and Americans were going to let them down.

The Russians would probably take it as an indication of weakness; and the manoeuvre would be something like that of a circus trainer turning his back on the lions when going out of the cage.

Or the Russians might possibly conclude, if we took the women and children out of Berlin, that we were turning the city into a garrison post, and that we really meant some kind of business.

Either way, it would make things more difficult than they really need be.

On the whole the Russians deal pretty cleverly with the Berliners. They ask them. "Why be heroes? Why not eat instead?" Russian-sponsored papers print stories of Germans in the country around Berlin who would like to help the city—but of course are not allowed to by the British, Americans and French.

But, as I inferred in the opening paragraph of this article, the trees have become the important issue in the Russian-sponsored Press.

All this month the autumn leaves have been falling in Berlin in copper-tinted profusion, and the Russians tell Berliners that they will never in their lifetime see the same spectacle again—because the British, Americans and French have ordered so many trees to be cut down.

This is not far short of the truth. Orders have gone out for trees to be felled not only in the parks of Berlin but also in the streets and the gardens of the city.

Red Reaction

The Communist reaction, which I cut from a paper, is as follows:

"Long before the first world war it was established that it was not the wood in Berlin's forests which was so important, but the effects of these forests on temperature, humidity, rain, the soil and the water level of the rivers.

"The people of Berlin learned with anger the order of the Western occupation powers, and of the willingness of the Berlin West Magistrat to obey it and cut down 300,000 cubic metres of wood. This amount of wood is totally insufficient for heating purposes. It must not happen.

"The people of Berlin cannot watch idly whilst these terrible fellings are going on. This crime must be prevented. It is not a question of momentary damage, but of a catastrophe which cannot be made good in a hundred years. Berliners, protect the Beauty and the green lung of your city. It depends on the will of the Berliner whether Berlin's woods are destroyed and whether this winter will become a winter of catastrophe worse than 1947."

Under this article there are two photographs set side by side, one showing trees being felled in a Berlin street, the other showing coal briquettes being handed out in the Soviet sector. The caption says that there is no justification for this barbaric hewing-down of trees because there is enough wood and coal in the Soviet sector for all Berliners.

The Russian case became stronger when Berliners of the Western Sectors learned that this winter they were going to be allowed half a hundredweight of coal per household, perhaps enough for one day's fire, to last them indefinitely.

The British and Americans answer Russian taunts as best they can. The Americans have kept up the spirits of the people by parachuting coupons on Sunday mornings which can be exchanged for food parcels.

Every seventh day the coupons fall in this topsy-turvy city. Every few days rain falls—and the people here, instead of cursing, get as near as they can to smiling, because when the rain is falling it is sure to be a few degrees warmer.

And all the while the air-lift planes drone overhead.

Peace Talks In Indonesia

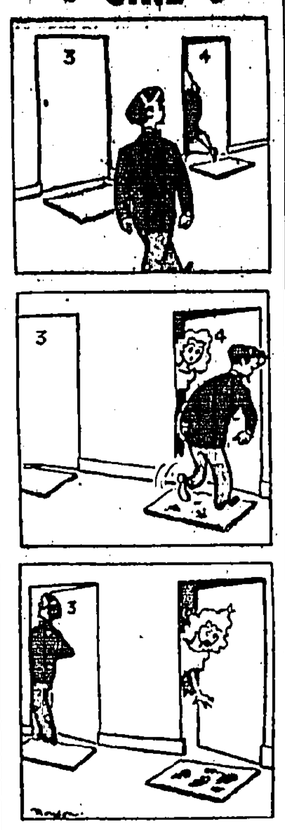
Batavia, November 26.

A Netherlands Cabinet delegation was today flying to Jogjakarta, the Indonesian Republican capital, to resume negotiations with the Republic in its three-year dispute with the Dutch.

The Dutch Overseas Minister, Mr. E. J. Sassen, led the delegation, which includes the Dr. D.U. Stikker, the Dutch Foreign Minister, and Mr. Neher.

The talks will be held at Kallokrang, near Jogjakarta. Nine Republican advisers, including the personal adviser to President I. R. Soekarno, will take part. Republican sources said today that the Premier, Dr. Mohammed Hatta, was expected back today from Sumatra.—Reuter.

BOY MEETS GIRL



CHILDREN GIVEN TB TESTS

Chicago, November 26.

More than two million children in countries in Central Europe have been examined under an international programme to control tuberculosis, the Journal of the American Medical Association said today.

The Danish, Norwegian and Swedish Red Cross are sponsoring the plan with the United Nations' International Children's Emergency Fund. It is intended to examine 50 million children.—Reuter.

WINDOW ON THE WORLD

By FRANCIS BOYLE

Do you consider the Danes a phlegmatic race? Correspondent James White in Copenhagen does not. He writes to say that a pin dropped behind the most stalwart Dane these days makes the latter jump. He is in what psychiatrists call an "anxiety state" and it is all due to rumours about submarines of unknown nationality which just will keep popping out of Danish waters and tearing holes in the bottom of Danish ships. When the Great Belt ferry received a tearing wound in her bottom caused by an underwater obstruction, Danes refused to believe even their own naval experts who assured them that no submarine would submerge in 45 feet of water. "An enemy hath done this" said the Danes, looking Eastwards. And they don't like Russian planes flying over the island of Bornholm either.

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Moving over to Sweden, Ralph Hewins has news for all you snivellers and sneezers this season of flu and colds. The Swedish State Bacteriological folk claim a discovery which may master winter flu epidemics. They are trying it out on "indispensable workers," hospital staffs and transport employees (and goodness knows what the Swedish equivalent of Transport House say about the latter choice). Depending on the results, the vaccine may be made available to the general public. But it is still in the experimental stage.

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It is some time since we looked through the Window at Rangoon, and what do we see now? Why, the New Look, Burmese fashion. Michael Massey says that Rangoon's police chief frowns upon young Miss Burma's prevailing inclination for the decollete. Burmese women, it seems, wear but three garments:—the *longyi*, a kind of tubular skirt, a bodice and the *aingyi*, or jacket. But what they have done with these trappings to bring them up to date is, presumably, the police chief's business, and he has told them to stop it.

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You remember those freezing Nissen huts where even Reveille was, sometimes, a blessing? If you do not, Rodney Campbell, one of your New York correspondents, does. So off he went to see a new "wonder" barrack hut, built in California, which will stay warm and cosy through a 150 miles per hour hurricane, a 13-foot snowfall and a temperature of 65 below zero. The secret is that between each side of the double wall which composes each aluminium panel of which the hut is made, is a paper honeycombed core, impregnated with resin. Oil-burning space-heaters do the rest. The hut, by the way, is prefabricated and can be taken anywhere. As though the kitbag, bedding roll and all the rest of it were not enough for the soldier to carry!

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What does Gavin Gordon in Brussels hurl through the Window this week? Why, a duck's egg to be sure. He has no further use for it, since he tells us that it is now illegal in Belgium to use ducks' eggs in anything prepared for sale, and grocers may not sell the eggs themselves unless they stamp them "Boil for Ten Minutes." It seems that Belgian ducks are inconsiderate enough to pass to their eggs the dreaded paratyphoid germs at times. These are fatal to many young ducks and are not too good for human beings.

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Do you still sing that song about the tramp of the 22 men? Correspondent John Drummond in New York writes that 22 New Yorkers have just paid £5,000 sterling for the privilege of shining their neighbours' shoes. This seems costlier than the older idea of taking in each other's washing. These men have bought a shoe-shining concession on the ferries which ply between Manhattan and Staten Island daily and carry about 100,000 workers. A shine sets you back 7d.

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Two dead and seven wounded was the toll of a recent free-for-all reported by Cecil Clark from Mexico. An old Indian farmer, it seems, left four packages to be divided among four of his friends when he died. The contents were undisclosed, and the four heirs, meeting on the mountain-side, tried to come to some agreement as to the division of whatever was in them. It seemed they failed.

Berlin Is Mad About The Girl In Green

By John Fisher

Sunday Graphic Correspondent In Berlin

A GIRL in a green dress is making trouble in Berlin.

She sits on a marble slab, hatless, clasping a beehive in one hand and a wreath in the other.

Although I don't know her name, she is rather important. She is one of the girls on the Western mark currency notes that the Russians want to ban in Berlin.

When the British, Americans and French started to print these mark notes the Russians acted promptly.

They said that anyone who carried a single West mark in his wallet was a criminal and could be imprisoned, and they confiscated as many bank accounts as they could to stop people buying the West mark.

Then they introduced their own Russian mark. But without avail.

Paper Chase

Today if you walk along the Kurfuerstendamm, Berlin's Piccadilly, you can see West marks everywhere.

In a woman's hat shop you can see displayed the cause of Mr. Vishinsky's ire.

The ticket in the window of the hat shop has two sets of figures on it, meaning that one part of the bill has to be paid in West marks and one part in Russian or East marks.

The milliner needs the East marks to pay workers cheaply and the West marks to buy materials from Western Germany. (By law workers have to take three-quarters of their wages in cheap Russian marks.)

There you have the real conundrum of Berlin—the fight with scraps of paper.

Quarrels over them broke up the Moscow talks and disrupted the United Nations proceedings in Paris. And, unfortunately, these quarrels cannot be settled without one side or the other giving way.

The Russian idea is to have one central Bank which issues all the money for Eastern Germany and Berlin together.

If this were so, anybody who wanted an overdraft would have to come to the Russians and borrow on Russian terms.

Berlin firms friendly to the British and Americans would probably be forced to make goods for the Russians in order to get enough money to carry on and would eventually have to look to Moscow for their orders.

It is even possible that if the Russians got their hands on the currency of Berlin they would refuse to give any to the Western Allies, which would make it impossible for them to live in Berlin.

Policemen, chauffeurs and city officials would refuse to work for the Western allied authorities, who would have no money to pay their wages.

Digging In

This is why the Western Powers have been "sticking their toes in" in order to get four-Power control of Berlin money. Naturally the Russians don't agree.

They say that Berlin is in the Soviet zone and must be controlled through the Soviet trade monopolies. Any other system, the Russians say, would throw their scheme out of gear.

In a way they are right. To put a "free trade" Berlin in the middle of a regimented Russian zone would be like deciding that in Manchester, for example, all clothes, including nylons, would be off the ration and that dollars could be bought without limit.

And so two wads of notes will continue for the moment to stretch the pockets of the Berliners and the girl in green will continue to annoy the Russians.

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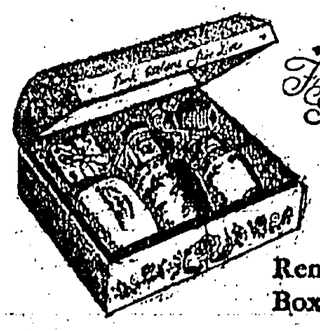

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NEW BERLIN CRISIS SITUATION ARISES

Paris, November 26.

Britain, the United States and France virtually slammed the door today on any agreement for a single currency in Berlin until Russia has allowed the restoration of a unified Berlin city government under four-power control.

Dr. Juan Bramuglia, Security Council President, tonight met representatives of the six neutral members of the Council to discuss the new Berlin crisis situation.

The meeting was announced after the publication of the answers of the Big Four to a questionnaire submitted by Dr. Bramuglia on the Berlin currency question.

The three Western powers returned a joint reply, but in addition Britain and France submitted a memorandum containing proposals not acceptable to the United States but which the two countries said would not bind them in any final settlement.

Dr. Bramuglia has drawn up the questionnaire as a part of his efforts to have about fresh negotiations between the Western powers and Russia following the submission of the issue to the Security Council.

The Soviet reply was a reiteration of the Soviet position fully put forward after the breakdown of the four-power talks on currency in Berlin.

Technical Plan

The joint reply of the Western powers also stated that they were prepared to give Dr. Bramuglia more information should he need it.

The separate proposals submitted by Britain and France were for a detailed technical plan for the operation of four-power currency control in Berlin. They were first put forward in Berlin on September 7 by General Sir Brian Robertson, the British Military Governor, with the agreement of General Pierre Koenig, the French Military Governor.

A French Foreign Office spokesman said tonight that the United States had not accepted the Anglo-French proposals because of the belief that the December 5 elections might split the city beyond all hope of making any four-power currency plan workable.

He said the British and French believed that a currency could be established in Berlin identical with that in use in the Russian Zone, under controls which would not allow Western sector transactions to affect Soviet Zone economy.

A preface to the three-power answers to Dr. Bramuglia's questionnaire said: "It must be pointed out that it will inevitably be difficult in practice to exchange four-power control of currency in a city in which the previous unified administration under four-power is fully functioning at present and is indeed being rapidly diminished.

Trade Control

"This difficulty applies as well to the control of trade between Berlin and the Western Zones in that if the Berlin Magistrat is not functioning in respect of the whole of Berlin, there will be no administrative machinery for the issuance of licences."

The answers outlined how the three powers envisaged the operation of four-power control of Berlin's currency.

One question put forward by Dr. Bramuglia was: "What is the exact wording of the directive that must be issued to bring the quadripartite control into operation?"

The three powers replied: "The four Military Governors will have to issue legislation to put into effect arrangements for the quadripartite control of the currency there. In the absence of sufficient agreement with the Soviet Government upon the content of this legislation the Western powers have not at this time attempted to draft it in detail."—Reuter.

Division In Ranks Of Labour

London, November 26.

The British Government is facing a new clash with a section of its Parliamentary supporters over the length of compulsory military service.

Twenty-four Members have signed an amendment calling for the rejection of a Bill increasing the length of service from 12 to 18 months. The 24 are led by Mr Eric Smith, former Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, and include left wing Members and other who on conscientious grounds previously resisted a call-up proposal.

Britain's National Service Bill, when first introduced in 1947, proposed an 18-months compulsory service, which met with large-scale Labour resistance. Seventy-three Labour Members voted against the Government and an almost equal number abstained from voting.

The Government subsequently reduced the proposed period of service to a year but within two months of the Bill's operation has reinstated the 18-months' period.

The present opposition to the Government is not expected to reach the same proportions as the original resistance. Nevertheless, as many as 50 Labour Members, political quarters think, might refuse their support to the alteration.—Reuter.

Mormons Meet Opposition

Oslo, November 26.

Norwegian bishops have protested strongly against a plan to permit Mormons to have micro-photograph copies of the registers of births, marriages and deaths in Norwegian churches.

The Mormon faith includes belief in baptism for ancestors. In Salt Lake City, the Mormon headquarters, there are extensive archives in which members of the sect can trace their family tree and obtain baptism by proxy for their forefathers.—Reuter.

Oil Quotas For Orient

Washington, November 27.

The Commerce Department announced a supplemental export quota of 1,000,000 barrels of industrial fuel oil for the fourth quarter of the year—one third of it going to the Orient.

The original quota for the quarter was 1,150,000 barrels.

Allocations in the supplemental quota include 200,000 barrels for China and 133,000 for the Philippines. These quotas were exceeded only by 250,000 allocated to Cuba and 250,000 held in reserve.—Associated Press.

RADIO PICTURES FROM SINGAPORE

London, November 26.

Pictures can now be sent to London by radio from Singapore, Cable and Wireless Limited announced here today. Commonwealth rates will be £5 for a picture up to 24 square inches and proportionately more for larger sizes.—Reuter.

CHRISTMAS TREE 'WAR' IN BLOCKADED BERLIN

Berlin, November 27.

The Christmas tree is likely to be the next piece of ammunition in Russia's cold war with the west in this blockaded city.

The natives of this land of the "Tannenbaum" and the home of famous Christmas carols are crazy about Christmas trees.

The Russians still can bring them in from their surrounding occupation zone. The only way the Western powers can bring them in over the Soviet blockade to Western Berlin is via the airlift.

But the airlift is crowded to capacity with more important things—the essentials of life, food and fuel. And for Christmas the Western powers hope to take the 2,250,000 Germans in their sector of the city a present of a small extra food ration.

Thus for many Western Berlin families this may be a mistletoe instead of a Christmas-tree Christmas. That is, a branch hauled on from a suburban forest may decorate the mantel and substitute for a tree. Or a little artificial tree may be erected in the home.

Somewhat Happier

Nevertheless, American authorities believe that a combination of Allied efforts and German ingenuity will make this Christmas somewhat happier than first expected under blockade conditions.

At any rate, it is bound to be an interesting one if the blockade persists, both for the Germans and the antagonists of the cold war.

In previous years of the occupation the four powers cooperated to bring in Christmas trees to this battered city. They came from the Russian occupation zone and the British zone in Western Germany. They were brought in by rail and trucks from the West. Now these avenues are closed.

However, the routes from the Russian zone are open. Over them will come, according to announcements in the Soviet controlled press, some 350,000 trees. These are due for distribution to the 1,000,000 inhabitants of the Russian sector of the city. But wise Western Berliners think there will be an overflow that may come into Western Berlin—especially if Western currency is offered for them in the black market.—Associated Press.

Republic Of Eire A Stage Nearer

Dublin, November 26.

The Dail (Eire's Parliament) tonight unanimously gave a second reading to the Republic of Ireland Bill which will sever Eire's last link with the British Crown.

The committee stage of the Bill was fixed for next Wednesday. Mr. Sean MacBride, Eire's Foreign Minister, said it was hoped that the Bill will come into operation on January 21.

The Bill will have to be passed by the Senate before it receives the signature of Eire's President, Mr. Sean T. O'Kelly. All parties in the Dail are united in support of the Bill, which provides for the repeal of the External Relations Act of 1937, under which the King signed Eire's international treaties and certified her external relations appointments.

The new Bill confers these powers on the Eireann President, and provides that Eire shall be known as the Republic of Ireland.

Speaking in the debate, Mr. MacBride said he had received messages of goodwill from the Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, and from Australia and New Zealand, in which they proposed accord Eire citizenship rights.

In the case of South Africa, Mr. MacBride said, existing rights would be maintained. He added that they hoped to negotiate a detailed exchange of rights later.

The Foreign Minister appealed to Eire's Protestant minority to throw in their lot fully and completely with the country and work in the common cause for its success.

Liable To Serve

The Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, said in the House of Commons today that citizens of Eire who habitually live in Britain will be liable to British military service.

The House of Commons held a short debate on relations with Eire following Eire's decision to leave the Commonwealth. The Conservative Member, Sir Ronald Ross, had said on behalf of Northern Ireland that they would repudiate any decision which allowed Eire citizens in Britain to escape their obligation.—Reuter.

NEW STAMPS

Prague, November 27.

Another issue of stamps showing Czechoslovakia's President Gottwald was released on the President's birthday. They were in 20 and 30 crown denominations and carried a quotation from one of the President's speeches.—Associated Press.

Burmese To Hold General Election

Rangoon, November 27.

Free Burma's first general elections under the Constitution will begin on March 28, 1949, and will extend over a period of one month.

Separate polling dates are set for Karen and Kachin representatives to Parliament.

The new Parliament will consist of a House of Representatives and a Chamber of Deputies.

The House of Representatives will contain 250 seats. Allocation will be:

Shan State 25 seats; Kachin State seven seats; Chin Special Area six seats; Karenni State two seats; Karen representatives 20 seats; other representatives (excluding Karens) 190 seats.

Election of Karen representatives to the House will take place on April 9, 1949, to avoid difficulties.

The Chamber of Deputies will consist of 125 seats under allocation as follows:

Chan State 25 seats; Kachin State 12 seats; Chin Special Area eight seats; Karenni State representatives three seats; Karen representatives 24 seats; other (excluding Karens) 53 seats.

Election to the Chamber of Deputies—except for Karens and Kachins—will take place April 19, 1949. Election of Karens and Kachins will be held on April 27.

Earlier this year, the Karens demanded 26 seats in the Chamber of Deputies. A Karen spokesman warned the Burmese Government the Karens would not be responsible for the consequences if the demand went unheeded.

In reply, the Prime Minister, Thakin Nu, advised the Karens against utterance of threats. He said the present was the time for solidarity among the peoples of Burma if independence was not to be a failure.—Associated Press.

JEWS DECLINE TO RAISE THE SIEGE

Paris, November 26.

Israel told the Security Council's special Palestine Committee today that it has no intention of releasing the Egyptian troops surrounded at El Faluja in the Negev area until Egypt agrees to negotiate an armistice.

On the surface, it appears that the Jews are flouting the Security Council's November 4 order to withdraw in Southern Palestine, but the Jewish representative (Mr Aubrey S. Eban) insisted that the Jews were not attaching conditions to their compliance with the order.

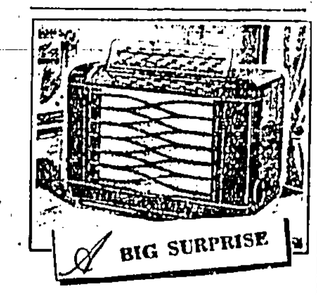
The acting UN mediator, Dr. Ralph Bunche, replied at once that Israel's interpretation did not add up to compliance. The Jewish refusal to abandon positions encircling the Arabs made it impossible for Egypt to carry out her part of the withdrawal order, he said.

Mr. Eban made his statement when the special Committee took up alleged Jewish violations of the withdrawal order. Dr. Bunche himself complained that the Jews were keeping mobile forces in the desert and moving them into spots they did not occupy before October 14, when the Negev war broke out.

Mr. Eban said Israel would not release the Egyptian forces pocketed at El Faluja in face of the Arab refusal to accept even the first principle of armistice negotiations.

The Security Council ordered an armistice and peace negotiations between the Arabs and Jews on November 16.

Mr. Eban said: "The Egyptian Government refuses to give up the position that renewal of war against us is a possibility. Israel cannot liberate the Egyptian Army and put it in a position to attack us whenever it pleases."—United Press.



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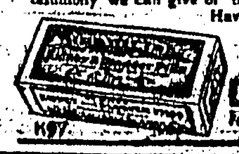

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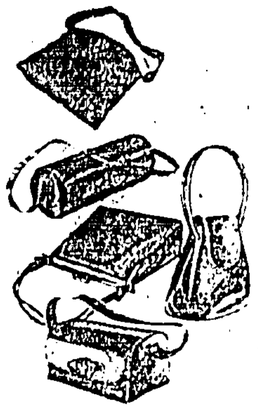

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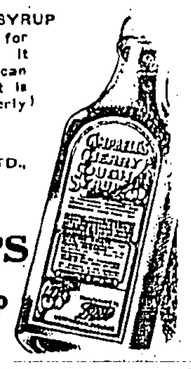

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THE WESTERN BLOC NEEDS SPAIN

By Cedric Salter

America's determination to reverse the UN decision of 1946 and to co-operate economically, diplomatically, and, if necessary, militarily, with Spain is now an open secret.

On the economic side Mr. Earle Johnson of the ERP Commission has seen General Franco and Spain's Minister of Foreign Affairs, Senor Martin Artajo.

For the necessary expressions of political amiability Senator Chan Gurney and Mr. Farley, a former President of the Democratic Party Organisation, who have also seen Franco, have given interviews in which the name of Mr. Ernest Hemingway and the Lincoln Brigade of Civil War fame were not even mentioned.

British "Slap"

Lastly, but by far the most important, an American Military Commission, under Major General Peron and a representative of the U.S. Minister of Defence, inspected Spanish defences in the Pyrenees before continuing to Lisbon to elaborate existing schemes for Portugal's potential role as a U.S. supply base.

Not unnaturally 'American popularity took a sharp upward curve recently. That Britain's should have taken a correspondingly steep downward dive was due exclusively to the announcement by the Foreign Office of an anti-Franco pact between sections of the exiled Monarchists and the moderate exiled Leftists under Prieto.

are being made by Dudley Passmore.

In the view of the Spanish Government's supporters, any such pact is of negligible importance to the future of Spain or Europe, though its immediate nuisance value is considerable.

They complain that at precisely the moment when America had decided to reach an understanding with Franco in face of the overriding danger of expansionist Communism, the British Government delivered a diplomatic slap in the face of a kind which can irritate, while doing no real injury to the regime.

Change In U.S. Opinion

The inclusion of Spain in the Western defensive bloc has been geographically obvious ever since Russian intransigence made any sort of a bloc a necessity.

The delay in bringing about that inclusion was inevitable in order to allow a newspaper-starved public opinion to realise that the issues at stake in the 1936-39 Spanish Civil War are not the same as those facing them in the Cold War of 1948.

In America, where the paper shortage is less acute, the drift of events has been grasped more quickly than in Britain. Thus, though in 1945-6 America was more belligerently anti-Franco than Britain she is, today, a more convinced than Britain of the strategic necessity of co-operation with Spain.

However, the problem is not one of approving or disapproving of Franco. It is, quite simply, a question of unifying all anti-Communist countries in face of a world menace as urgent and ruthless as that of Fascism in 1938-9. We have had Allies in the past concerning whose political systems we were not particularly enthusiastic, including Tito and Stalin, but with whom we were able to work together, temporarily at least, for our mutual benefit in face of danger.

Italy's Reds

Should Russia decided upon war there are only two Continental Powers of any size between her and the Pyrenees.

The first is Italy, in which I have spent the last eight months. Italy possesses the largest Communist Party of any country in Europe outside Russia. Even with the Pope's open opposition plus the threat of suspended Marshall Aid, Italian Communists, with their fellow travellers, polled over one-third of the total electorate in last April's General Elections.

Simultaneously she has an Army dispirited by defeat and reduced in size by the victorious Allies (including Russia of course) to little more than an ill-equipped token force.

Important As The Channel

The second Continental Power between an advancing Russia and the Pyrenees is France where the Communist Party, even if slightly smaller than in Italy, is a very powerful factor. The country, embittered by defeat and occupation, is prey to to every kind of strike and industrial unrest similar—similarly similar—to those which convulsed the country under Blum in 1937-8.

There is no intention to belittle the military potential or political honesty of either Italy or France, but the fact remains that at the moment, for special reasons, neither is capable of realising its true potential in face of powerful attack.

Bearing these facts in mind the strategic importance of the Pyrenees (and the goodwill of the Spanish people) is as great as that of the Channel.

MR. FAINT HEART

The European YMCA Amateur Dramatic Club is presenting Ian Hay's romantic comedy, Mr. Faint Heart, in the West Lounge of the YMCA on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 2, 3 and 4.

The whole action of the play passes on board the ss. Homeric during a Mediterranean cruise. The tendency to pretend when one is young and on a vacation is a well-known fact, and the play deals with the situation which arises out of such innocent pretence.

The younger element are well represented, the leads being played by Dawn Rumsay and Len Wilson, as Myr aand Joe respectively. They are ably supported in important parts by Margaret Sim, Ross Arnott and Harold Parker.

There are also names in the cast which need no introduction to the followers of amateur dramatics in the Colony, such as Olive Starbuck, Arnold Graham Norman Tucker, and Bob Leigh, all of whom take important roles. The list of players is completed by the addition of the names of Kay Stuart, Vera Ruminanzeff and Nelson Sclater.

The play is being produced by Philip Wood and the stage arrangements are in the capable hands of such tireless workers as Messrs A.J. Tanner and Nelson Sclater. The house arrangements are being made by Dudley Passmore.

Antony Terry, Special Correspondent Of The "Sunday Herald" Tells The Story Of —

VIENNA'S DOLLAR PIMPERNELS

On the tall green leather seats of the 'Old Vienna Bar" in Vienna's main shopping street, the Kaerntner Stresse, is transacted the business of Europe's most unromantic "Scarlet Pimpernels."

They handle human freight, ship it to the corners of the world. The only language which talks with them is the American dollar. For enough "greenbacks" they can get you to Panama or Peru, Switzerland or Sweden. Refugees to them spell money.

Many of the hundreds of refugees from behind the Iron Curtain who want "phoney" passports to enable them to move on to Western Europe find their way through Vienna, and the "Old Vienna Bar" is one of the best-known stages in the journey.

Most of its customers are Hungarians, Czechs, Rumanians. Members of some of Hungary's most aristocratic families sip ice-cold American style cocktails beneath its shaded lights. They can provide the traveller with a passport for most countries of the world in a few hours. But only for dollars.

The refugee in need of papers is brought in by an intermediary. The "Dollar Pimpernels" can smell money. They are not interested in the poor refugee. But the customer who was lucky enough to get across the frontier with a wad of dollar bills sewn inside his clothes is sure of a warm welcome.

"Warnings"

Introductions over, the wealthy refugee is taken to a safe boarding-house somewhere in the American sector of Vienna, in the charge of a "friend" who never leaves him. Uttering warnings about the need for protection against the danger of kidnapping by the Russians, the "friend" offers Austrian money to his charge, amusements, ad lib, for dollars.

This protection has the additional advantage of preventing the escapee from discovering that he could obtain many of the necessary documents free of charge from the refugee authorities, instead of paying through the nose for them.

The next step is to the Rothschild D. P. Hostel in the American sector, where the centre of Vienna's "black passport industry" is situated.

Here one can buy a Hungarian passport in a false name and equipped with one's own photograph, for eighty dollars. If the customer wants to stay in Austria, a word with the Dollar Pimpernels can fix him Austrian naturalisation papers in a month, for three thousand Austrian Schillings, equal to £75. Or a Swiss visa to go with the Hungarian passport, price thirty dollars

Hungary's Communist Government thought they would be clever a few weeks ago. They told the Austrian Government they were not to give any Hungarian an exit visa from Austria without first getting the consent of the Hungarian authorities.

This set the Dollar Pimpernels back a bit first, but they quickly recovered. A "phoney" Austrian exit visa, obtained without the knowledge of the Hungarian Reds, adds thirty dollars to the total bill.

If the customer was really frightened by his experiences in slipping through the first stage of the Iron Curtain into Vienna, he won't ask many questions. And so he may find himself paying the dollar Pimpernels for an identity card supplied free by UNO's International Relief Organisation in Vienna. Or for Austrian ration cards, which he can obtain without chargo by registering openly with the Austrian police.

El Dorado

South America being the Eldorado of most refugees, the experts of the Old Vienna Bar have an arrangement with at least one accommodating representative of a South American state in Vienna to provide entry visas to his country. For this the price is naturally rather high, three hundred dollars per visa.

But, as they point out, this is really an economy, for with the guarantee of a South American visa the relief organisations will provide passport, ticket and travelling expenses.

When every detail has been worked out, all the necessary dollars have changed hands, and the traveller is ready to go, he is briefed and taken to a hotel on the border of the Soviet zone of Austria.

There are Russian soldiers with tommy guns at the checkpoint down the road, but the garden of the hotel where he takes a quiet room is across the border and out of the Soviet zone.

One morning he takes a stroll down to the bottom of the garden —and forgets to come back.

"THREE CAME HOME"

An American visitor to Hong Kong, a man of substance and no little importance in the film world, remarked the other day that he was going round our city "drooling at the mouth."

The visitor was Mr. Robert Snody, an executive of the Twentieth Century Fox company. His "drooling," as he put it, was brought about by the quantity of British Woollen materials he saw displayed in the shops.

"You can't get British woollens anywhere in the States," said Mr. Snody. "I'm certainly going to take some back with me when I leave. That is, if I'm allowed to --I'll have to find that out."

Mr. Snody left the Colony on Friday morning for Singapore, from where he will travel to Sandakan in British North Borneo to make a survey of conditions for the projected production of "Three Came Home," a film of the autobiographical book by Agnes Keith.

In Sandakan

In Sandakan Mr. Snody will discuss the picture with Mrs. Keith herself. At the moment it is thought likely that Olivia de Havilland will play the part of the book's author.

"I know she wants the part," said Mr. Snody, "and I don't imagine Mrs. Keith will have any objections to having herself portrayed by an actress who has already won an Academy Award and who is almost sure to get another for her work in "The Snakepit"."

Mr. Snody is not the only member of Twentieth Century Fox who has been doing a lot of travelling recently. They have a company working in Italy at present and another in Germany.

"Prince Of Foxes" is the film in production in Italy, with Tyrone Power in the leading role. Mr. Snody has seen some of the first rushes of the film and says it promises to be something special. A battle scene he mentioned in particular as being the most impressive he has ever seen. A plentiful supply of extras being available among the local peasants the director has used a cast of thousands to make a spectacle of the production.

In Germany a company is making "I Was A Male War Bride" a comedy built from the circumstances arising when the usual war bride procedure is reversed. A female member of the U.S. services (Ann Sheridan) becomes enamoured of a foreign gentleman and sets about battling through the red tape which stands between her and wedded bliss.

Another company from the Fox studios will go to Europe shortly to make a picture of Thomas Costain's "Black Rose." According to Mr. Snody it is more than probable that Tyrone Power will star in it, too, though the final decision has not been made yet.

About Spring of next year camera crews, stars and a lot of aircraft will be shipped to England to make "12 o'clock High." This will be the story of the first daylight raids made by American B 17s on Germany from English bases. The title comes from the clock system of giving position frequently used in the air force "12 o'clock High" as a position of the enemy planes given be one of ours would mean straight ahead and above.

Mr. Snody was closely connected with the production of "Iron Curtain," the film voted most likely to irritate the Communists.

"It is not generally appreciated what lengths we went to in that film to achieve complete accuracy of detail according to Gouzenko's story," he remarked. Wherever possible we used the actual places mention by Gouzenko as the scene. Where this could not be done still photos and drawings were made of the scene required and an exact duplicate made in the studio. So, although the furniture in Gouzenko's appartment in the film was not the real thing it was only different inasmuch as it had been made from another piece of wood."

An Artist

"As a matter of face, Gouzenko himself is quite an artist and was able to help us a lot. Naturally the Russians would not let us into their consulate to take movies but we were able to build a perfect replica of the inside of the place from drawings made for us by Gouzenko."

This passion for accuracy apparently stems from the policy of Fox's vice-president in charge of production, Darryl F. Zanuck, with whom it amounts almost to a fetish according to Mr. Snody.

On the work of Mr. Zanuck, Mr. Strody said: "In his position he naturally keeps an eye on all productions but every year he takes two or three pictures as his favourites, and when he gets his fingers right into the pie you can expect something really special.—like 'Gentlemen's Agreement' last year."

If, as is expected, Agnes Keith's "Three Came Home" goes into production before very long, it will be one of Mr. Zanuck's "specials."

Italy To Join In New Defence Pact

Washington, November 27.

Italy probably will be invited to join the projected North Atlantic security pact.

Nothing in the peace treaty with the former enemy nation prohibits its inclusion in such a security arrangement.

The proposed anti-Communist alliance will include the United States, Canada, Britain, France, Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands.

Italy's participation in the pact is regarded as essential by some planners. They cite its strategic Mediterranean position on France's flank, its location next to Eastern Europe and the need to build up its armed forces as reasons for Italy's inclusion in the security scheme.

Reports received here from Rome indicated that Italy would welcome a chance to join in the alliance.

Under the peace treaty, Italy can have an army of 185,000 a 65,000-man police force, a maximum of 25,000 airmen of all types, 200 heavy and medium tanks and a number of non-military planes.

In addition to Italy, other nations due to receive invitations to participate include Norway, Denmark, Iceland, Ireland and Portugal.

Invitations are expected to go out early next year if informal negotiations indicate that these nations would be willing to join the defence bloc.—United Press.

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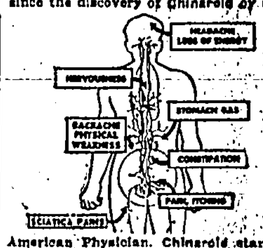

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Kyrenia, November 26.

The mayor of Limassol, M. Ploutis Servas, and 33 other Cypriots, were sentenced to terms of imprisonment by a Limassol court today.

They had been charged with taking part in an illegal procession on November 16 when crowds in all towns demanded general elections for a Constituent Assembly. The mayor was sentenced to three months' imprisonment. Other sentences ranged from three days to two months.—Reuter.

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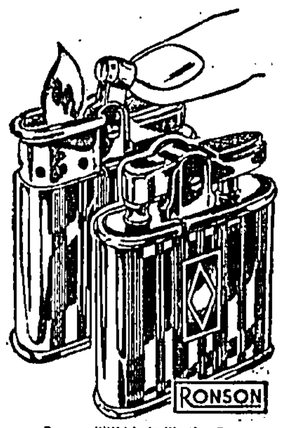

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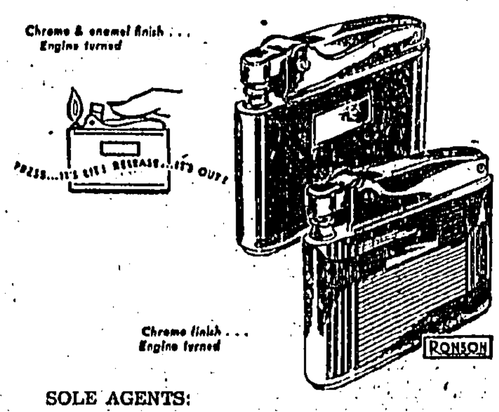

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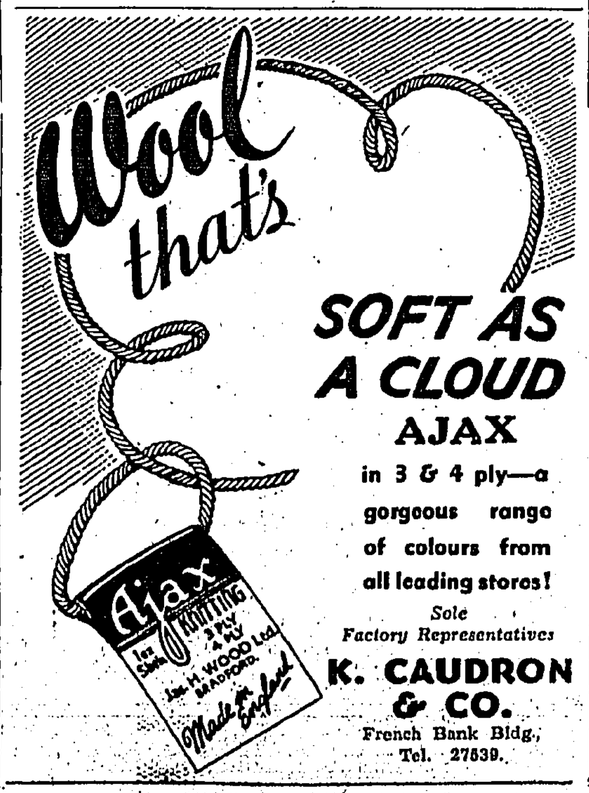

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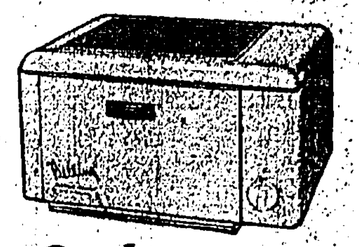

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OPERATION ZIPPER BY REDS CUTS RAILROAD TO HSUCHOW

Shanghai, November 27.

The Chinese Communist "Operation Zipper" is getting stuck on the last lap to Nanking—the 200 mile stretch of railway between Hsuchow and the capital.

But the Red Zipper has choked off landborne supplies to the last Nationalist citadel defending the approaches to Nanking.

With Hsuchow, the sole Nationalist stronghold North of the Yangtse, outflanked a fortnight ago, the Reds have been pushing their way down East and West of the vital stretch of railroad.

They are feeling for weak spots to cut in, effect temporary junctions and break up track into useless inoperable bits and pieces.

The drive resembles a gigantic zipper operation, with Nationalist-defended stretches of the railroad presenting the balky parts of the zipper. The Communists don't need to zip up the whole line.—it is useless to the Nationalists as a supply channel as long as the zipper is stuck.

Ten days ago the Reds effected their first major junction at Suhsien, 60 miles South of Hsuchow. The flow of Nationalist supplies and reinforcements from Nanking to the North has been broken off. Since then the Reds have cut the line near Hsiszepo, South of Suhsien and other points farther down the line.

Decisive scene of fighting has been pushed farther and farther South. Penpu, half way point on the Communist lap to Nanking, was by-passed by Chen Yi's forces with twin Red columns pointing inward for another junction.

Gathering Crisis

General Ku Chu-tung, Nationalist Chief of Staff, arrived in Penpu two days ago, underlining the gathering crisis on the Southern stretch of the line. There are unconfirmed reports that the Reds have entered the West suburbs of Lingpi, a small town East of the railroad between Hsuchow and Penpu, but the situation there is obscure.

Off the railway West of Penpu the Communists are reported to be massing for an attack which could be opening a wedge for a drive on Pukow right across the Yangtse from Nanking.

South of Penpu, around Hofei, the Central Bank of China was reported evacuating to Anking, futher South of the Yangtse. Red capture of Hofei would bring the Communists to within 100 miles West of Nanking.

Meanwhile, with Hsuchow cut off from the rest of Nationalist China except by air, CNAC joined Chennault's CAT airline flying much-needed rice and medicine into the beleaguered city. On return trips they are taking out wounded and dying soldiers.

At Tsingtao, Nationalist troops started pushing West along the Tsingtao-Tsinan railway, right into the lion's den—Chen Yi's stronghold.

Surprise Advance

Chinese press reports, which only this morning revealed the push which has been on for four days, now said the Nationalists have occupied Chiaosien, 75 miles North West of Tsingtao on the railroad, on November 25.

Chinese reports said the countryside from Tsingtao to Tsinan is only thinly garrisoned by militia, and available regular troops are apparently concentrated in Northern Kiangsu for the Hsuchow battle. They said little resistance is expected to the new Nationalist drive from the Reds.

The obvious Nationalist aim is to threaten General Chen Yi's forces now concentrated in South Shantung and North Kiangsu and to relieve pressure on Hsuchow.

While the strength of Nationalist forces in the Tsingtao area is unknown, at least four divisions of newly trained troops from Taiwan are stationed there. These divisions arrived about two months ago without equipment. Since then they have been equipped with American weapons.—Associated Press.

Security Of Foreign Embassies

Nanking, November 27.

A Chinese Foreign Office spokesman said today that the Government would do its utmost to ensure adequate protection of persons and property of all diplomatic missions in Nanking.

He said security authorities have taken measures in view of the Government's decision to remain in Nanking.

Simultaneously the Legislative Yuan decided to ask the U.S. Congress for military and economic aid. The message to Congress said China's Communists are an instrument of an international aggressive bloc.

It said Americans have been misled by Communist propoganda when they believe Chiang Kai-shek's Government is losing the support of the Chinese people.

The message said that although some Chinese are grumbling about the civil war and the economic situation they whole heartedly support the Government's anti-communist policy.—Associated Press.

Freedom Of Speech Suspended

Caracas, November 27.

The military Junta that has taken over the Government of Venezuela today suspended various constitutional guarantees, including individual security, freedom of speech and privacy of the home.

Other guarantees affected are freedom of movement, freedom to change residence, to leave and enter the country and hold public meetings.

The decree said the security of the country requires suspension of the guarantees. The action is expected to be temporary.

Earlier, the junta promised to make plans for a national election.

Lieutenant-Colonel Carlos Delgado Chalbaud, President of the Junta, said the new regime planned to hold elections as soon as possible so that the nation can elect a Government that suits it.—Associated Press.

Flyer, Broke, May Sing In Cabaret

Seattle, November 26.

Mrs. Richard Morrow Tait, British round-the-world flyer, is considering an offer of a job as singer and entertainer in a night club at Anchorage, Alaska, to raise funds to continue her flight around the world.

Mrs. Tait has been stranded in Fairbanks since Sunday, saying she is broke.—United Press.

Anti-Red Crusade In U.S. Unions

Portland, November 26.

The CIO President, Philip Murray, carried his anti-Communist crusade into the final hours of the CIO Convention today and closed the Convention with a pledge to wipe out Communist infiltration into the Union.

He also called on those few CIO Unions which had been spreading Communist teachings to cease and desist.

Electing Mr. Murray and all other incumbent CIO officers by acclamation, the annual Convention adjourned on the same anti-Communist note which Mr Murray has set throughout the five-day session. Mr. Murray, who is 63, was elected to his ninth one-year term without opposition after a boisterous 40-minute demonstration led by his own United Steel Workers Union.

In his acceptance speech, Mr Murray told delegates, "Under no circumstances, and I say this with deep conviction, am I going to permit Communist infiltration into the national CIO movement."—United Press.

"HUMAN SEA" TACTICS IN HSUCHOW BATTLE

Near Hsuchow, November 27.

Lieutenant General Chi Ching-chuan today admitted that General Huang Po-tao suffered great losses due to his recent encirclement at Janchuan (Nienchuang) by General Chen Yi's Communist columns.

General Chiu said 3,000 of General Huang's men had broken the Communist ring and escaped Westward towards Hsuchow. Others escaped South in undetermined numbers.

General Chiu said it was not known what happened to General Huang as he had received no communication from him. General Huang may have got away to the South, he added.

The main bulk of the Communist forces under Chen Yi are now South and East of Hsuchow, General Chiu added. He said his Second Army Group had inflicted 150,000 casualties on the Communists but declined to disclose his own casualties.

He asserted that the Communists units in the South would probably cut his communications with Nanking. They might also try to bypass Hsuchow and Suhsien and attempt to take Fengpu, half way between Hsuchow and Nanking (which the Reds are trying to do, according to the latest reports).

Red Tactics

General Chiu agreed with other Nationalist generals in attributing the high Communist losses to the use of "human sea tactics" in which they threw wave after wave of Communist troops against the Nationalist fire.

Almost all the Communist attacks were made at night, General Chiu said.

He added that he was not fully satisfied with the manner the campaign has developed so far but declined to indicate how he thought the battle would end. He gave, however, the impression of personal confidence.—Reuter.

Fleet On Way To The North

Tientsin, November 27.

A fleet of 20 requisitioned vessels is en route to effect the Nationalist evacuation of the isolated Great Wall pass of Shanhaikuan and the North Eastern Hopei port of Chinwangtao.

Meanwhile, Tientsin-Peiping train traffic returned to normal following the completion of operations against some 3,000 militiamen of doubtful loyalty at Chinghai, on the railway South West of Tientsin.

Chinese reports claimed over 1,000 were caught by the swift action of the loyal troops. The others fled with the regional administrator, Mr. Chu Chan-kuei, to Pahsien region, about 70 miles West of Tientsin.

A local military spokesman declared that though occasional sabotaging attempts must be expected, the Nationalist authorities were endeavouring to make certain that traffic between Peiping and the mining area, which passes through Tientsin and and Tangku, will remain open—Reuter.

JEWS FLOCKING INTO PALESTINE

Jerusalem, November 26.

Over 92,000 Jewish immigrants have arrived in Palestine since the beginning of the year, Mr. Zvi Herman, head of the Jewish Agency's Department for the absorption of immigrants, said here today.

Nearly 70,000 of them arrived since the beginning of July. During the coming two months, 40,000 more are expected, he added.—Reuter.

ANOTHER DEFEAT FOR REDS

Paris, November 27.

M. Gaston Monnerville, 48-year-old Radical, was re-elected to the Presidency of the French Upper House—the Council of the Republic—today.

The official figures for the voting were M. Monnerville (Radical) 109, M. Henri Martel (Communist) 19, M. Jules Carser (Radical) 14, blank votes 49.—Reuter.

MONTY BACK

Northolt Airport, November 27.

Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, who arrived at Northolt today from Paris, said that the talks he had with the Western Union Commanders-in-Chief were extremely satisfactory.

He was asked if he had any comment on the news of increases in army pay and said jokingly: "I know all about it but I don't get anything."—Reuter.

TITO ON SLAVIC REDS' UNITY

Belgrade, November 26.

Marshal Tito told the Yugoslav Communist Party's Croatian Congress at Zagreb that all the various congresses held recently have proved the complete unity of the Party which is of primary importance for the country.

In a speech delivered yesterday and quoted tonight by Tanjug, the Yugoslav news agency, Tito said: "It is no good giving orders to the people. Orders may be given to an army but the people are used to being told what is going on. We must teach the people and learn from them."

Tito continued: "I am certain that there is dissatisfaction with the authorities though I am told this applies only to lower officials, but the lower authorities are appointed by those of higher rank.

"Traces of capitalism still exist in the villages. I know they do and I also know we shall defeat them.

"We must secure food for the country and will secure it even if extreme measures have to be taken. There is persuasion by words but there is also a way of persuading people by hitting them on their backs.

"I know that I am using rough words but the situation which has arisen requires firm handling."

To those who wished to form what he called a discussion club about what kind of socialism Yugoslavia had, Marshal Tito replied:

"Lies are spread about the country by those who ought to have friendly feelings towards us. But lies will not move us. Lies are unworthy of Communist morale and we are proving by facts that their allegations are lies."

Marshal Tito recommended the study of the Marxist-Leninist theory so that no reproaches could be made to them.—Reuter.

GRIM PLIGHT OF CHINESE WOUNDED

Hsuchow, November 27.

Ten thousand Nationalist wounded in eight regular and convorted Hsuchow hospitals are receiving the best treatment possible but by modern standards it is pitiably inadequate.

Three thousand serious cases have already been flown to the rear and another 5,000 are being cared for outside the city. More are arriving from the battle areas daily.

In the frosty cold of the late autumn, hundreds of men are lying about the stone floors, in draughty corridors and emergency wards, their only beds a padded cotton quilt.

Others more fortunate have the comfort of hospital cots, but these are packed tight one against the other. Medical supplies vary greatly between hospitals.

At one hospital housing 600 officers and men, it was said that supplies are so short that every time a fresh quantity arrived it was consumed immediately.

The same bandages are used time and time again. There was practically no equipment and a great shortage of drugs and sterilisers.

The medical staff of this hospital consisted of two permanent and four visiting doctors. There were 16 male nurses.

At two other adjoining hospitals, with a total of 1,700 patients, it was said that supplies are satisfactory. Medical and nursing staffs were small. Most of the patients are suffering from wounds caused by artillery and hand grenades.—Reuter.

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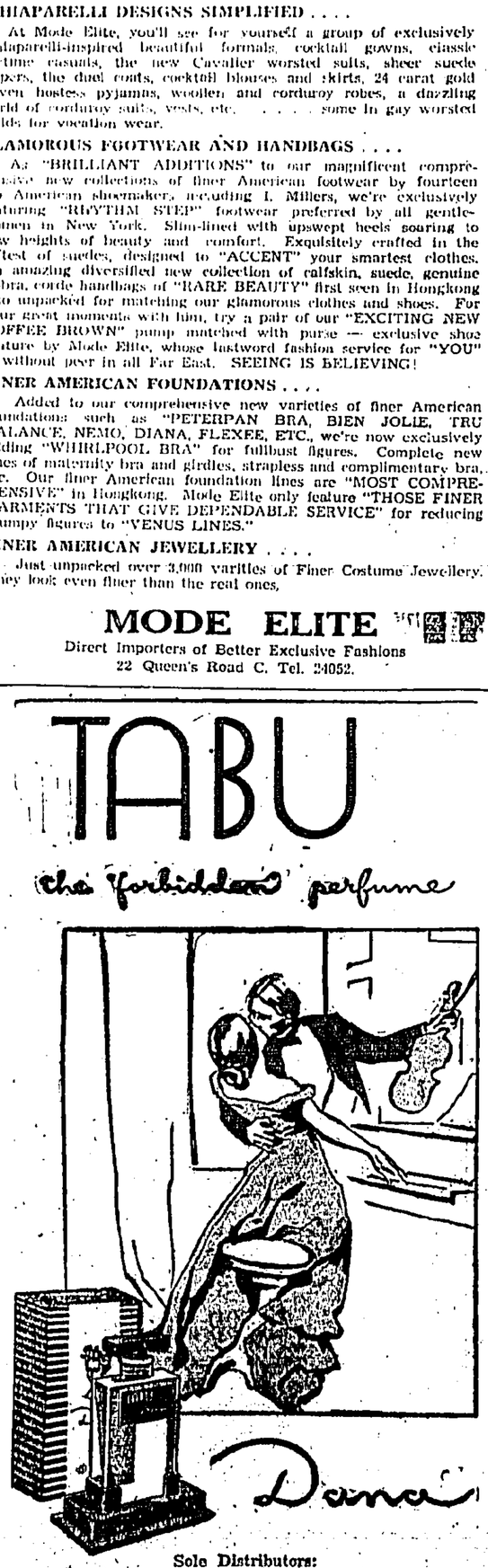

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BETWEEN OURSELVES

NOW IT'S THE COMMONWEALTH LINE

By EDNA McKENNA

The new influence is seen in two evening dresses from Derry and Toms. A striped gown in black and pink poult has a bodice shirred at the top. The other dress—in bois-de-rose moire—has a ruched bodice and double bows.

The column-slim silhouette is hitting fashion headlines today and already infiltrating into the stores.

It is threatening to replace the hour-glass waist by the tube line. This line, known in the past as the Directoire Line, the Empire Line or even the Second Empire Line, obtained a new title when, in deference to the London conference, it was renamed the Commonwealth Line.

Flattering—to some

They show a raised waist-line and clothes so tight that they sometimes give the impression that they are bound round the body.

They are immensely flattering to the petite woman or the woman with a good figure.

Dresses today indicate the new line with a deep-fitting corselet belt, or the dress is left unbelted but fitted at waist and hip. Materials are wool, satin and even stiff moire.

Suits often show two waistlines. The first is the natural line, the second a higher line. Both are indicated by braid, stripes, roulenux embroidery or the use of contrasting material.

Coats, in smooth velours and duvetyns, indicate the line in many cases by an inset yoke. They also make use of little upstanding collars—very Directoire—or else bold, brash affairs like the collars sported by Napoleon's soldiers or dandies of that period.

For Evening

Evening dresses show the line in its purest form.

They have tiny bodices, which are often ruffled or shirred, and little puffed sleeves or twisted shoulder-straps. Dresses fall straight from the bodice, occasionally exploding into fullness just above or below the knees.

These dresses are made in shiny satin, rich velvet, stiff lame, whispering chiffon and daisy-fresh muslin, and they introduce some new shades, such as a sharp acid green, a faded bois-de-rose, a deep garnet and shadowy blue and silver.

A cherry-red wool coat has a fitted waistline and a Napoleonic cape collar in black bound with cherry. It fastens with outsize buttons. From Derry and Toms.

WALK WITH BEAUTY

By CLAUDIA

How do you walk? Perhaps you have never given the subject much consideration, regarding walking simply as a way of getting from one place to another when no alternative means of transport is available.

But there is much more to walking than just that, especially if you realise the importance of first impressions. No matter how well groomed you may be, no matter how attractive your ensemble, poor carriage and ungraceful steps can ruin that first impression of your general appearance.

Fashion is taking a hand in teaching us the importance of walking gracefully. Small waists, even when Nature is assisted by a laced girdle, call for an upright carriage, with the rib-cage lifted well away from the waist and hips. Full skirts and draped lines are at their best in motion when the steps are even and well balanced.

The way a woman walks is often a reflection of her character; the highly strung, nervous type will walk with jerky, tripping steps, rather indecisive and somewhat erratic, darting here and there, using up an amazing amount of energy. Her more placid sister will walk with firmer steps, rather deliberate and much slower.

The open-air girl well built and healthy, fond of active sports, will sometimes adopt a free, swinging stride which gets her along at a great rate, but could scarcely be called graceful.

Carelessness Or Affectation

Most bad walking, however, is either due to carelessness or to an affectation of some kind which may be partly subconscious. Under the heading of carelessness, I would put all the young girls far too many of them, who walk along with a slight slouch, slumped down on their spines.

Standing up straight, they have slim, pretty figures, but in a very few years, they will have "tummies". It is the girl who learns to carry herself well and to walk well, who will have a figure as slim and trim at 40 as it is at 20.

The affectations, unconscious or not, quickly become a habit and those whose aim it is to minimise some lack or excess of inches invariably miss the target. The very short girl, for instance, tries to walk so that she looks taller.

Now "walking tall" is the first essential to a good carriage, but even first essentials can be overdone. She walks as though she were strung up on invisible strings and then adds the highest of high heels, quite out of proportion to her height, so that the body has to be thrown forward in order to maintain balance. The result is a tripping, teetering walk, rather like a marionette.

With extra inches, on the other hand, the only successful thing to do is to carry them off with an air, walking like a Diana and wearing clothes to the envy of one's shorter sisters. The fatal thing to do is to attempt to lose an inch or two by walking like an elongated S, shoulders drooping, knees sagging, a sad curve, guaranteed to evoke pity rather than envy!

Too Self Conscious

Among other affectations we find the girl who is too self conscious and too absorbed with her personal appearance. She is likely to cultivate a sort of mannequin glide, out of place off the dais of a fashion salon, which says "look at this lovely model"; gliding forward with studied deliberation.

Then there is the glamour girl, who walks with a slightly exaggerated undulation of the hips, for all the world as if she were humming a rhumba tune under her breath.

It is not easy to study one's walk, for, without a large room and plenty of full length mirrors, there are few opportunities for self observation. But we can all practise how we should walk.

First essential, stand tall... drawn up to your full height. Walk with even, well-balanced steps, light and buoyant, but not jerky. The well-balanced evenness you can acquire by the old, old trick of walking round the room with a book balanced on the head. Once this is accomplished, your natural vitality and resilience will do the rest.

Recipe

2 tablespoons sago, 1 cup milk, 8 oz. sugar, 1 cup breadcrumbs, 1 cup sultanas, 1 egg, 3 oz. shortening, 1 teaspoon carbonate soda, ½ teaspoon salt.

Wash the sago. Cover with the milk and allow to stand overnight. Next day, add the soda and salt to the sago and milk. Cream the shortening and sugar. Beat the egg well and add gradually to the creamed mixture, still beating. Add the sago mixture, then the breadcrumbs and sultanas. Mix thoroughly, place in a greased basin. Cover with greased paper and steam 2½ to 3 hours. Serve hot with sauce.

COLD COMFORTS

Let's start at the beginning—and the beginning is your winter underwear. Yes, young woman, it's all right for you to jeer at the humble spencer, to decry those long, fleecy-lined bloomers!

The woman who's wearing those winter woollies will be blooming like a rose when you're too cold and miserable for good company or good looks. Be smart and put your pretty silk scanties in moth-balls and lavender until the sunny season.

I won't be rash enough to suggest you wear woollen stockings throughout the winter, but I do suggest you wear an old pair to work and keep a dry pair of stockings to change into when you reach your office. Before you venture out into the cold winds, rub baby oil or hand-lotion on your legs, and then your skin won't crack or chap.

Your clothes? Something warm over your winter woollies and then your raincoat. When you're buying, see that you buy a long raincoat, and a good, over-lapping one. If it flies open in front as you walk your skirt will get soaked in really rainy weather. See that it buttons up high at the neck, too, and, if possible, at the sleeves. A swing bag is best for wet weather, because it gives you two free hands to manipulate your umbrella.

Some Top Secrets

And concerning hair-do's-the girl who doesn't want to arrive at her office with long, lank locks will pin her hair loosely in curls before leaving home, and tie it up in a waterproof scarf.

One warm way to keep your hair dry and look enchanting is to tie your waterproof square over a small hat, or a beret worn right on the top of your head.

The hands tucked into your gloves are chilblain free, I trust, because you've been taking calcium tablets since summer. If not, and if you're a chilblain victim, start on Calcium Sodium Lactate and see that your diet includes cheese, milk, liver, green vegetables and fruit. Paint the chilblains, if the skin has not yet broken, with colourless iodine. Keep them well greased with a menthol cream, and make sure that your hands are dry always. The same applies if you're having trouble with chilblains on your toes.

Make-up for cold weather? You certainly won't be wearing mascara, for one thing, but you will be wearing a tinted foundation, because that's best for combating the grey, pinched look that cold weather brings to some of us. Your brightest lipstick, of course, and touch your lips with baby oil to prevent them from becoming sore and chapped.

Your Colour Scheme

If you go blue with the cold, you'd better wear a little rouge—a cream rouge smoothed on underneath your foundation. Unless, of course, your trouble is that your face becomes too pink in rainy weather, and especially round the nose. Perhaps it's a pretty nose in summer, but winter can nip at the nicest nose and turn it rosy-red. If you're one of these pink-nosed petunias, check on these things:

Do you wear tight or heavy glasses? (Have them altered to fit properly.)

Do you drink steaming cups of hot tea or coffee? (Don't)

Do you need a laxative? (Sulphate of soda is recommended.)

Do you watch your diet? (Leave out pepper, mustard, pickled and greasy food.)

Cut your smoking as much as possible, and wash your face frequently with soap and cold water.

Use rose water and boracic solutions on your skin, and keep away from hot water, steam, cold creams and rich, greasy foods.

The most important thing to remember if you want to be pretty all through the winter is not to catch a cold. There are a thousand and one remedies for a cold, but it's generally agreed that prevention is better than cure. Keep as warm and dry as you can, and build up a hearty resistance.

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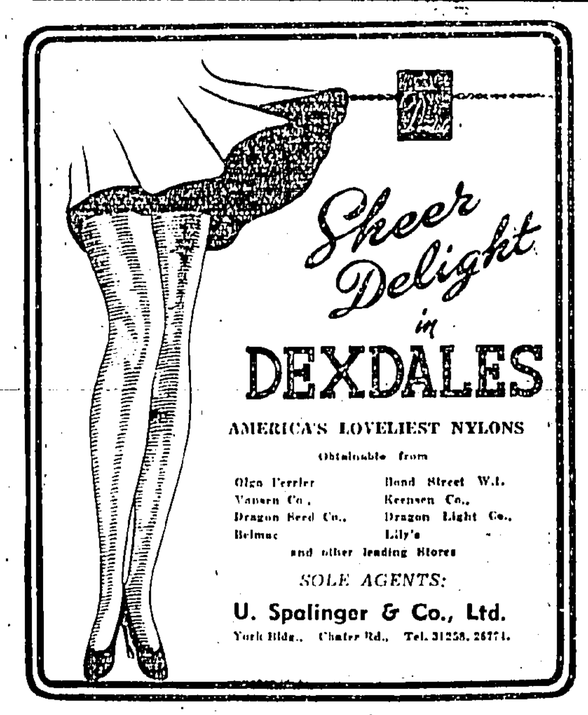

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Bracelets, Belts And Baubles

By JANET MARTIN

Baubles hit a new high note. Bracelets on every wrist, whether bare, sleeved or gloved. Belts to define and embellish a new line in waists.

This season, the smart woman sees the simpler silhouette as a background for an extravagenza of accessories, rich fabrics as a starting off point for wealth of highlights . . . delicate, fabulous, fantastic, at the whim of imagination and inspiration.

Here are a list of fashion notes indicating the overall importance of accessories, the transformation of odd scraps of fur, or links of beads from your treasure box into the latest of fashion's trifles . . . the trifles which become even more important than the whole.

There are belts of every width, from the narrowest hand-tooled leather to belt in a topcoat or box jacket, to the widest cummerbund. But the newest belts are built up high at the front, simulating the high waistline, They are a smart change, to give a new line to a natural-waisted dress.

Tassels are in the news. Your long string of pearls will have a tassel of cream silk or gilt at either end. The latest way to wear it is knotted around the throat, with the tasselled ends hanging down the back. Under a cluster of gay beads or glittering baubles, wear a band of silk tassels stitched onto a narrow cord or velvet band. Finish the matching cascade bracelet with a pair of tassels too.

Fashion's Extravagance

Bracelets are Fashion's extravagance, with pearls and corals leading the show. Pearls go to the wrist, **twisted, plaited, embroidered** on velvet bands with fringes of seed pearls and tassels again. If you have a coral necklace, twist it into a bunchy bracelet.

Gold and silver chains interlaced with strings of pearls, brilliants and coloured beads are wound round the wrists and secured with jewelled clasps. Cascades of pearls, showers of crystal, paste and gold, all the treasures of your jewel box are poured out to embellish a dainty wrist.

Of fur, used in surprise touches, the newest is the small muff, round like a football, made from some bright fur such as leopard or ocelot. Or a small, detachable collar, which can be worn over a coat, a suit or a tailored cloth dress, is made from any of the smooth, silky furs.

One original idea is to shape the collar like a very small cape, with a stand-up piece round the neck, secured by a narrow belt and buckle instead of a button or clasp. Mole and sealskin come into new popularity for all the small, sleek furs of the season's choice for capes, tippets, stoles and flat fur trimming for pockets, cuffs and hems.

For evening gowns, where the high, Empire line is most popular, there are new short bodices, just breast deep, covered thickly with a wealth of gold embroidery picked out with glittering stones and pearls. From there tiny, strapless bodices, the long, graceful lines of filmy skirts flow most effectively.

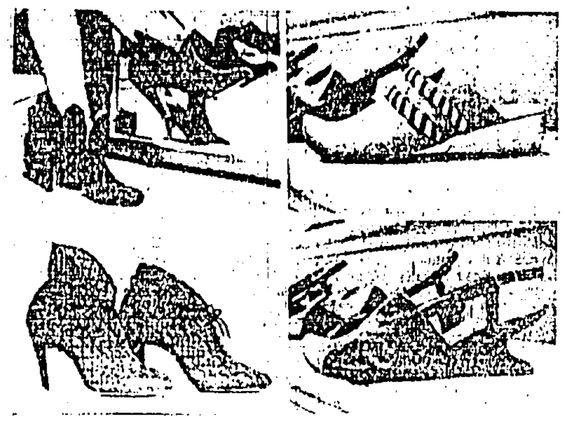
Smart Contrast

In colours, the near-to-blacks and the dull, indeterminate subtleties of taupe, grey and mocha, are reinforced by new combinations and a new shade, Pitch Brown, to join the ranks of the near-to-blacks. With black, the smart contrast is Bright Brown, a newcomer in the tan range but with the reddish tint of burnt sienna. With that peculiar greenish drab inspired by kahki, a fresh, clear pink is worn, which makes an unusually delightful contrast and enhances the delicacy of make-up tones.

Cont frocks have their new line too . . . still tailored with the same elegance and economy of line but, for a change, buttoned down the back instead of down the front. This idea underlines two of fashion's leading notes . . . the simple front line and the surprise detail of the back.

Millinery has a new offering too. This is a later version of the swathed turban, set well back on the head, so that the height of the hat is tilted backwards, giving a hint of a grecian silhouette, especially attractive with the short, ear concealing hair styles.

Handbags for after five wear are edged and stitched with pearls to match your bracelet or clipped with tiny firefly jewels to match your earrings.



Salvatore Ferragamo of Florence shows his latest advanced creations. Top left: hand-made bootee. Top right: "Moorish" shoes for evening wear. Bottom left: black lace bootees for cocktail party. Bottom right: red suede shoe for evening wear.

One Woman's Week

VIVIEN BATCHELOR describes the latest fashion and home ideas around London

Princess Margaret is still gaily setting new fashions, and appears in evening gowns each one more elegant than the last.

At the Command Variety Show she wore a lovely pink faille gown with a fichu neckline right off the shoulders. The fichu was edged with silver beads, and at the waist of the gown were encrustations of pearls and sequins.

Already Mayfair's young fashionables are ordering dresses with similar fichu shoulders.

Silent Scarves

Thank heavens women are at last getting tired of labelling themselves. The craze for scarves bearing strident quotations, exhortations, lessons in geography and historical reminiscences is fading.

Makers of these scarves tell me the trend now is for pictures with no words.

No Takers

I was talking to the manager of a shop which specialises in expensive hand-knitted jumpers. He told me they came a cropper over the Olympic Games.

Several of their very special numbers had the names of all the winners embroidered over them. The expected rush did not come, and now assistants are busy unpicking the embroidery.

Of course, the little matter of nine guineas (the retail price of these garments, plus coupons) may have had something to do with it, but I am assured plain jumpers are selling well, even at this exorbitant price.

It Won't Shrink

I hear that at last some enterprising firm in Manchester has produced a rayon crepe that is guaranteed to wash without shrinking. The material can be bought by the yard or ready made up.

It should save us pounds in dry cleaner's bills, and will appeal to those who never feel a garment is ready clean unless it has been washed.

Falling Hair

Some weeks ago I wrote that short hair did not seem to be taking on. Women were hanging on to their long locks. Now, it seems, I must change my mind.

With our sex's usual contrariness we are now rushing to be shorn like lambs.

If you find you can bring yourself to have your hair cut off, but hate to part with it once the scissors have done their worst, you can have it made up into false "switches" for about eight guineas.

West End hairdressers are doing a roaring trade (so they say) making up these contraptions. They tell me their customers pin them on in the evenings so that they may appear with the glamour of long hair without the trouble of it.

Sounds all right so long as it doesn't fall off at the wrong moment.

What's Cooking

Latest gadget made specially for the benefit of those who live in one room and have no cooking facilities is a cooking pot which does everything from baking a cake to roasting a joint simply by switching it on (it's connected with the electric light). You don't even need water, just a little fat.

Ann Temple

Thoughts At Home

As I go about my house work I am alone with my thoughts and things.

Could you suggest some interesting subjects to think upon within the scope of an average intelligence?—HOUSEWIFE.

POSSIBLY housework is too disconnected a job for anything but haphazard thinking. Not like shoemaking and carpentry, which seem to turn the mind to philosophy.

But what you think about depends on where your interest is centred. Lists of subjects would be useless to you unless given from a knowledge of your particular tastes and what store of information you have on which to build ideas.

Suppose you had a lively curiosity about practical psychology. You would be reading a book on it and the facts you learned would provide the food for your thought as you worked, and possibly your very work made more interesting through seeing in it opportunities to try out some theory or other.

Same with art or travel, music or community work, the ways of life of other times and other peoples. You must have facts first, a little reservoir of knowledge from which to draw.

"But you have absolutely the right idea. Using thought rightly can cheer one so, awake dormant abilities, chase away that deadly dissatisfaction that unrelieved drudgery brings. It's good, indeed, to bring the Mary mind to lighten the yoke of the Martha practicality.

She is a widow, very attractive, struggling to earn a living and educate her son. A wealthy bachelor in the forties is obviously devoted to her, and we, her friends, think she is in love with him and that it would be a most suitable marriage.

She is a cloud when his name is mentioned, and in reply to questions declares the friendship as platonic, but that's probably her defence because he is a bit self-centred and selfish, having been a bachelor all his life. It seems a shame that two who have such a long, solid friendship should not join up in matrimony. Should not a widow be able to make the overture?—WELL-WISHER.

DELICATE ground this. Angels would fear to tread.

Looks to me as if she is saying a very firm "Keep off" to you all. Whether a widow should or should not make the overture is quite outside the problem.

Direct methods would harden that bachelor into an unrelenting die-hard. But the charm of the indirect—and you ought to be able to trust an attractive widow there—will work in time, given plenty of elbow-room. Don't you dare nudge opportunities here. Leave it all to her.

Which is the bigger bore—the woman who talks too much or the one who talks too little?—SILENT.

How can the wife fight the urge to hit back at the other woman, one who has affairs with several married men, causing terrible mental agony for the wives?—A.

WHY *should* she fight the urge? It's natural enough. Don't tell me it's beyond the wit and ingenuity of several wives if they got together to deal with her and also with all the husbands. They, too, need a little attention.

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AT YOUR FINGERTIPS
by VICTOR MAMAK

"Dear Mr. Mamak,

I wonder if you can help solve my problem. My boy friend does not like me to use make-up, or any of the beauty aids. To please him, I sometimes do without it, but whenever I do make-up, there is always an argument.

I have to put up with such remarks as, "Why can't you be natural."—"I wish you would take that muck off your face." But for this, I know we could be very happy. I have no doubts in my mind that we love each other. He wants me to marry him, but he also wants me to promise him never to use any make-up.

What shall I do? How can I convince him that make-up and other beauty aids are so essential to a mordern woman? I shall be grateful if you can say something in your column to convince him. I am 25 and my body friend is 28."

WORRIED SPINSTER

If you hadn't revealed your ages, I would have guessed that you and your friend were a couple of teen-agers endowed with that certain amount of understandable foolishness.

It appears that you may have to choose between make-up and a husband. Some men are naturally against make-up and sometimes it is hard to "convert" them. However, it is possible that you have been using too much make-up or using wrong colours, which may have prejudiced your boy friend's outlook on this modern art. Remember, good make-up looks natural and vice versa. Any step towards artificiality will be detrimental to a woman's natural charm.

I would suggest that you check up on your make-up, and if there is anything wrong, try to correct it immediately. In any case, keep your make-up to the minimum. If, however, your boy friend's present attitude towards make-up remains adamant, I would advise that you make him a counter offer.

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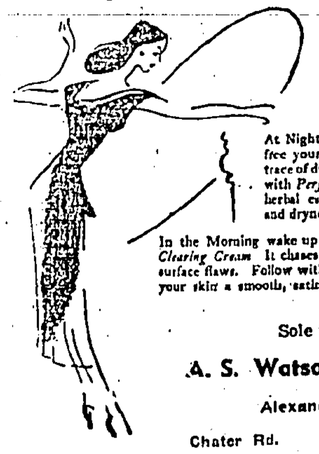

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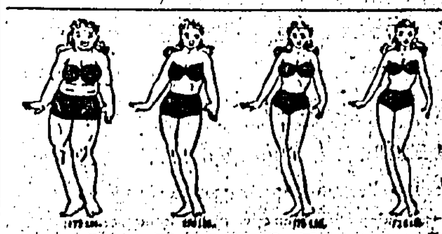

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Agents: HOLLAND-EAST ASIA LINE

	Arrivals	Sailings
"MOLENKERK"	from Europe 3rd Dec.	to Shanghai, Japan 5th December. to Europe via Manila & Straits, Mid December.
"MEERKERK"	from Europe early Jan.	to Europe via Manila & Straits, Mid January.
"RIJNKERK"	from Europe End January.	to Europe via Manila & Straits, Mid February.

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BELAWAN HARBOUR EXPECTED TO BE CLEARED IN NEAR FUTURE

Medan, November 27.

The Dutch are nearing the end of a three-year struggle to clear away mud and sunken ships which have clogged their gateway port to rich East Sumatra.

At Belawan, port for Medan, freighters as large as Liberty ships can slip into the quay one at a time to load rubber, palm oil and fine tobaccos.

Within a few weeks, Dutch Navy crews expect to finish the exacting task of cutting and lifting underwater sections of a loaded ammunition ship blocking an important section of the harbour. Then five ships can take on cargo at one time.

The Japanese swept into the Indies in early 1942, blasting Dutch ships at Belawan and partially sealing off the shipping point.

For years, Dutch engineers had been dredging away river mud that washed into the harbour.

The Japanese neglected the work. A large bar formed.

Rapid Progress

The port, where large ocean liners with drafts of 36 feet could tie up before the war, could take only small craft with 16-foot drafts by last spring.

Navy technicians and civilian workers dredged the port to a depth of 22 feet by July. Now a channel 28 feet deep has been cleared. Ships of 10,000 tons can enter.

To clear away wrecked ships, a 300-ton crane was sent by sea from Europe in March. It was lost in a storm in the Mediterranean.

Another crane, with a 200-ton capacity, started out again by sea and finally arrived two months ago. Clearing the harbour has progressed rapidly since then.—Associated Press.

London Stock Exchange

London, November 26.

Some good buying orders lifted gilt-edged prices today. Nationalisation and medium dated issues were in demand. Trinidad 3% gained 5/16 at 1⅛ premium.

In other sections, there was lifeless and apathy with trading confined to leading issues. Among industrials, some tobacco and store shares recorded small losers. South American industrials were occasionally sold. O.K. Bazaars were particularly weak with a loss of 3/- at 43/-.

Eastern European bonds met with small demand. Czecho, Prague and Polish issues showed gains of one to two points.

There was an easier trend in oils. Losses, however, were small and occasional. South African minings made a poor start and later failed to hold the partial recovery. Copper shares occasionally recovered from earlier small losses.

SECURITIES:	
British Consols, 2½%	80-5/16
Conversion Loan, 3½%, 1961	106⅝
Funding Loan, 4½, 1960/90	114
War Loan, 3½%, 1952	103-9/16
War Loan, 3%	106⅝
Victory Bonds, 4%	110
INDUSTRIALS:	
British American Tobacco (of G.B. & Ireland)	5-25/32
Imperial Chemical Indust. ord	49/3
Imperial Tobacco Co. (of G.B. & Ireland)	5-9/16
TEA SHARES:	
Assam Consolidated Tea	21/9
Assam Frontier Tea	18/3
Assam Tea Company	22/9
Dooars Tea Company	25/-
Emp. of India & Ceylon Tea Co.	10/-
Imperial Tea Company	28/3
MINE SHARE:	
Burma Corp.	7/4½
Crown Mines	3-11/16
Nundydroog Mines	10/7½
Rand Mines	6
Spring Mines	8/1½
Sub Nigels	4-1/16
Tavoy Tin Co.	1/3
Union Corp.	20s/9
OIL SHARES:	
Royal Dutch Co.	244
Shell Transport & Trading Co.	3⅞
SHIPPING:	
P. & O. Steam Navig. Co., ord.	55/-
GILTEDGED:	
Funding Loan, 3%	103-15/16
National War Bonds, 2½%:	
1949/51	100-15/16
1952/54	103-3/16
1954/56	103-9/16
1951/53	102-9/16
Savings Bonds, 3%	
1965/65	104⅜
1960/70	103-7/16
1965/75	102-15/16
Exchequer Bonds, 1½%, 1950	100-13/16
Redemption Stock, 3½, 1986/96	100
FOREIGN BONDS:	
German Loan (Dawes) 7%	7½
Japanese 5½, 1907/47	30
Japanese 6½, 1924/59	28½
Jap. S. Manchurian Rly., 5½, 1923	18
BANKS:	
Chartered Bank of I.A. & C.	115
Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank	103
Mercantile Bank of India "A"	21
CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS:	
Tientsin-Pukow Railway, 5½	9
Lung-Taing-U-Hai Rlys., 6½, 1918	9
Reorg. Loan, 5½, Lon. Issue, 1913	13
Crisp Loan, 5½, 1912	12
Hukuang Railways, 5½, 1911	9
Honan Railway, 5½, 1905	9
Shanghai Nanking Rlys., 5½	9
Kowloon Canton Railways, 6½, Sterling Bonds	11

—Reuter.

Surprise In Silver

London, November 26.

The lack of change in yesterday's and today's London silver price despite Wednesday's New York decline has caused considerable comment here.

Bullion dealers believe that the authorities intend to break away from the too slavish following of the New York price and London's essential silver price will in future only be changed if a New York low is maintained.

Dealers understand that it is only the present New York sensitiveness which caused the latest decline, following the offer of 100,000 ounces. London believes that this is unwarranted and thinks that the London behaviour will be considered more rational if it continues unchanged pending a recovery in the New York price, which is expected here very shortly.

London's supplies at present are derived from remonetised British stocks and none from dollar sources. Therefore, although a wide margin between the London and New York prices is believed unlikely, London expects in future to follow New York only if changes are large and sustained.—Reuter.

American Methods For Europe

Paris, November 27.

American methods to increase productivity are to be adopted in Europe by the Organisation of European Economic Co-operation. This was revealed by spokesmen of the Organisation at a press conference in Paris today.

Two hundred thousand foremen and supervisors in Britain have already been trained in these methods since the war. The Chairman of the OEEC Executive Committee, Sir Edmund Hall-Patch, said vastly increased productivity is essential to enable the Marshall Aid countries to finance their imports by 1952 when American aid ends.

A report of the Manpower Committee of the OEEC recommends all countries to facilitate the transfer of surplus labour to areas of shortage. It also recommends countries of origin to share the expense of training workers with the country receiving the labour.

France has already accepted numbers of unemployed workers, including 120,000 German ex-prisoners of war, and 85,000 Italians, mostly for farming and mining.—Reuter.

Notice To Consignees

m.v. EASTERN SAGA
From Straits/Calcutta
Arrived 26th November, 1948.

Damaged cargo ex this vessel will be surveyed in the premises of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd. between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Thursday, 2nd December, 1948. Consignees are advised to have their Representatives present during the Survey.

Consignees are warned that claims for damage or shortage may not be accepted if the damage is not surveyed by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of Consignees' Representatives at this appointed time.

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Back To Usual In Two Years

London, November 26.

Mr. Alfred Barnes, the Minister of Transport, said at Sunderland, Durham, today that by 1950 the British merchant navy would be back to pre-war strength.

Mr. Barnes added that he was almost certain that Britain would not need spend any dollars next year on the hiring of American ships.—Reuter.

SILVER AND GOLD MARKETS

London:—Silver, Spot fine ounce 45d, Forward 45d; Bar, Gold, per fine ounce 172/3.

New York:—Silver, Bar, (asked price) 71¼; Bar, Gold, per fine ounce (official) $35.

Bombay:—Silver, Ready, per 100 tolas Rupees 176, Annas 07; Forward 176, 00; Marwari (unofficial) 176, 03. Gold, delivered, per tola 112, 12; Forward (unofficial) 112, 06; Gold, Sovereign 75, 04. (One tola is equal to ⅜th of an ounce).

Bangkok:—Gold, Bar, baht-weight of 15.244 grammes unquoted Exchange Rate (Selling) Bangkok on New York T.T. 19.70; London 61.25; Hong Kong 3.82.

Paris Free Gold Prices:—Napoeon 5,750 Frs; French 10 franc coins 2,700; Swiss franc 5,600; Union Latine 5,300; Sovereign 7,125; Half Sovereign 3,340; U.S. $ 20 Coin 28,300; U.S. $ 10 Coin 13,850; Sovereign (in free US $ per ounce) $96.0; Napoleon (in free US $ per ounce) $97.7; U.S. Dollar notes (in blackmarket) 486.

Paris Free Market Rates:—Ingots: Fine Gold ingots, with delivery of counterpart per gramme 234/244 Frs; Without counterpart 745/782½; Silver Ingots, per Kilo 6,600b, 7,400s; Platinum Ingots, per Kilo 600,000b, 855,000s.—Reuter.

FIAT GO-SLOW AT AN END

Rome, November 27.

A four-week-old go-slow strike involving 50,000 men ended in Rome today when the Fiat Motor Company agreed to reinstate seven men dismissed for their part in strike activities at the time of the shooting of the Communist leader, Signor Palmiro Togliatti, last July.—Reuter.

Notice To Consignees

M/V "VILJA"

Having arrived Hong Kong consignees of cargo are hereby notified that all goods have been landed and placed at their risk and expense into the godowns of the China Provident L. & M. Co., Ltd. where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the godowns.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the godown where they will be examined in the presence of Messrs. Goddard and Douglas on the December 2, 1948 at 10 a.m.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when examining damaged dutiable goods. All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Undersigned within fourteen days of the ship's arrival, or they will not be recognised.

No fire insurance will be effected.

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New York Stocks In New Slump

New York, November 27.

Stocks sank slightly lower on Friday from an eight month low on Wednesday.

Friday's trading brought a mass of fractional gains and losses at the close of a nervous session. Ninety-nine issues sank to new lows for the year. A total of 1,040,000 shares were traded.

American Woollen, down 3⅜, hit a new low at 34⅝ on a report that the United States Quartermaster returned unopened a company bid on cloth for Army winter overcoats. Other new lows included Pepsicola off ⅝ at 7⅝; Consolidated Textile at 8⅝; Woolworth at 42¾, Crucible Steel at 21 ⅝; Rheem Manufactuturring at 18¼.

In some cases there was a slight recovery.

Altogether 403 issues declined and 370 gained.

Dow Jones averages: 64.46; industrials 178.17; rails 58.78; utilities 32.95.

Closing list:—

Adams Express 10; Alaska Juneau 2⅝; American Can 78; American Smelting 58⅝; American Tel & Tel 151; American Tobacco 60⅝; American Waterworks 71/8; Anaconda Copper 34⅝; Aviation Corp. 5⅝; Baldwin Locomotive 12; Barnadell 37½; Bendix Aviation 38⅝; Bethlehem Steel 32⅝; Boeing Aircraft 20⅜; Borden Co. 39; Canadian Pacific 18; J.I. Case 37⅝; Chrysler 51⅛; Colgate 34⅝; Commercial Solvents 17⅛; Corn Products 58⅛; Dupont 168; Eastman Kodak 48¾; Electric Light & Power 18⅝; General Electric 37, General Motors 57⅝; Goodrich 60; Goodyear 42⅜; Homestake Mining 30⅝; International Harvester 27⅝; International Paper 52⅛; International Tel & Tel 8⅞; Johns Manville 37⅛; Kennecott Copper 55⅛; Montgomery Ward 55; National Distillers 18; National Lead 84; New York Central 12; Packard Motors 4⅜; Pan American Airways 8½; Penn R.R. 16⅜; Radio Corp. 11⅜; Republic Steel 25⅞; Reynolds Tobacco 35⅝; Schenley 27⅝; Sears Roebuck 39; Shell Oil 33½; Socony Vacuum 16⅝; Southern Pacific 48⅝; Standard Brands 21¼; Standard Oil of Cal 62⅝; Standard Oil of N.J. 72⅛; Studebaker 21⅜; Union Bag 29⅝; Union Carbide 38⅛; U.S. Rubber 30½; U.S. Steel 70; U.S. Lines 12⅜; Westinghouse 24⅝; Youngstown Sheet & Tube 69½; General Public Utilities 11⅛.—Associated Press.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 4th December, 1948 will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 3rd December, 1948 at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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"TOYANG"	Takao, Yokohama, Nagoya & Kobe	4 p.m. 30th Nov.
"SHENGKING"	Shanghai	4 p.m. 30th Nov. *
"SZECHUEN"	Amoy, Foochow & Keelung	10 a.m. 30th Nov. *
"HANYANG"	Swatow	3 p.m. 1st Dec.
"HUPEH"	Inchon Tientsin, Inchon & Pusan	4 p.m. 1st Dec. *
"SINKIANG"	Singapore, Palembang, Sibu & Miri	5th Dec.
"HEINRICH JESSEN"	Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	3 p.m. 5th Dec. *
"SHENGKING"	Shanghai	4 p.m. 10th Dec. *
"YUNNAN"	Japan	11th Dec.

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"TSINAN"	Shanghai	p.m. 28th Nov.
"HANYANG"	Swatow	10 a.m. 30th Nov.
"HEINRICH JESSEN"	Singapore, Saigon & Hoihow	p.m. 2nd Dec.
"YOCHOW"	Palembang & S'pore	3rd Dec.
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"AGAPENOR"	—— " ——	24th Dec.

Sailings to

"CALCHAS"	Shanghai & Japan	4th Dec.
"SARPEDON"	Shanghai	7th Dec.
"SARPEDON"	Liverpool & Glasgow via Port Said	18th Dec.
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Arrivals from

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CATC ex-Chungking via Canton: 2.15 p.m.
CPA ex-Manila: 7 a.m.; Singapore via Bangkok: 3 p.m.
H.K. AIRWAYS ex-Canton: 9.40 a.m., 11.40 a.m., 2.40 p.m., 4.40 p.m.
BOAC ex-Tokyo, Iwakuni: 3 p.m.
AIR FRANCE ex-Hanoi, Haiphong: 5 p.m.

TOMORROW

CNAC ex-Shanghai: 11.45 a.m.; Amoy, Swatow: 12.30 p.m., 6.05 p.m.; Canton: 9.25 a.m., 11.50 a.m., 3.20 p.m., 5.45 p.m.
H.K. AIRWAYS ex-Canton: 9.40 a.m., 11.40 a.m., 2.40 p.m., 4.40 p.m.
PAN-AMERICAN ex-Bangkok: 2.45 p.m.
BOAC ex-Singapore: 4.30 p.m.

TUESDAY

CNAC ex-Shanghai: 11.45 a.m.; Rangoon, Kunming: 4.25 p.m.; Amoy, Swatow, Canton: 3.25 p.m.; Amoy, Swatow: 12.30 p.m., 6.05 p.m.; Canton: 9.25 a.m., 11.50 a.m., 3.20 p.m., 5.45 p.m.
CATC ex-Taipeh, Amoy, Swatow: 6.20 p.m.; Kunming, Liuchow, Canton: 6.30 p.m.
CPA ex-Manila: 7 a.m.
HK AIRWAYS ex-Canton: 9.40 a.m. 11.40 a.m., 2.40 p.m., 4.40 p.m.
PAN-AMERICAN ex-San Francisco, Honolulu, Midway, Wake, Guam and Manila: 2 p.m.
BOAC ex-Bangkok, Southampton: 3 p.m.

Departures

TODAY

CNAC for Kunming, Rangoon: 11.25 a.m.; Shanghai: 10 a.m.; Canton, Swatow, Amoy: 6.40 a.m.; Taipeh, Shanghai: 8 a.m.; Swatow, Amoy: 7 a.m., 12.10 p.m.; Canton: 7.20 a.m., 9.45 a.m., 1.15 p.m., 3.40 p.m.
CATC for Chungking via Canton: 7 a.m.
H.K. AIRWAYS for Canton: 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.
AIR FRANCE for Saigon: 8 a.m.
BRAATHENS for Bangkok, Oslo: 8 a.m (one day late).

TOMORROW

CNAC for Shanghai: 12.45 p.m.; Shanghai, Foochow, Amoy: 8 a.m.; Amoy, Swatow: 7 a.m., 12.10 p.m.; Canton: 7.20 a.m., 9.45 a.m., 1.15 p.m., 3.40 p.m.
CATC for Canton, Amoy, Shanghai: 8 a.m.
CPA for Manila: 2.30 p.m.; Bangkok, Singapore: 7 a.m.
H.K. AIRWAYS for Canton: 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m.
PAN-AMERICAN for Manila, Guam, Wake, Midway, Honolulu, San Francisco: 4.45 p.m.
BOAC for Bangkok, Southampton: 7.45 a.m.; for Singapore: 8 a.m.
AIR FRANCE for Haiphong, Hanoi: 8 a.m.

TUESDAY

CNAC for Shanghai (connecting Fl. 915 to USA): 12.45 p.m.; Shanghai: 5.25 p.m.; Canton, Foochow, Shanghai: 8 a.m.; Swatow, Amoy: 7 a.m., 12.10 p.m.; Canton: 7.20 a.m., 9.45 a.m., 1.15 p.m., 3.40 p.m.
CATC for Swatow, Amoy, Taipeh: 8 a.m.; Canton, Liuchow, Kunming: 7 a.m.
HK AIRWAYS for Canton: 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m.
PAN-AMERICAN for Bangkok: 3 p.m

POST OFFICE

MAIL NOTICE

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28
Closing Times by Air

Canton, (Kowloon C.P.O.) 9 a.m., Noon; (G.P.O.) 8.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m.
Airmail for Kunming and Calcutta, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 27/11, (Ord.) 8 a.m. 28/11.
Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 27/11, (Ord.) 9.30 a.m. 28/11.
Airmail for Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Bahrein, Cairo, Alexandria (Nairobi, Johannesburg and Marseilles via Alexandria), Rome and London, Kowloon C.P.O., (Reg.) 5 p.m. 27/11, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 28/11; G.P.O., (Reg.) 5 p.m. 27/11, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 28/11.
Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Batavia, Colombo, Sydney and Auckland, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 27/11, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 28/11.
Airmail for Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tsingtao and Peiping; Airmail for Foochow; Airmail for Taipeh, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 27/11, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 28/11.

Closing Times by Sea

Swatow, 10 a.m.
Amoy, 10 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi via Hoihow and Saigon, 10 a.m.
Shanghai, 10 a.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29
Closing Times by Air

Canton, (Kowloon C.P.O.) 9 a.m., Noon, 2 p.m.; (G.P.O.) 8.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m.
Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m.
Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 9 a.m., (Ord.) 9.30 a.m.
Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) 11 a.m., (Ord.) 11.30 a.m.
Airmail for Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tsingtao and Peiping; Airmail for Kunming and Liuchow; Airmail for Swatow, Amoy and Taipeh, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Foochow, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.

Closing Time by Sea

Swatow, 1 p.m.
Bangkok, 2 p.m.
Amoy and Foochow, 3 p.m.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30
Closing Times by Air

Canton, (Kowloon C.P.O.) 9 a.m., Noon, 2 p.m.; (G.P.O.) 8.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m.
Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m.
Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 9 a.m., (Ord.) 9.30 a.m.
Airmail for Swatow, Amoy, Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tsingtao and Peiping, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Hoihow, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Manila, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Canada, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Shipping Intelligence

Shipping Arrivals

YESTERDAY

GLENARTNEY (Jardine), British, 8,294 tons, ex-Singapore ..... Holts Whf.
HANYANG (B. & S.), British, 1,654 tons, ex-Swatow ..... Cust. Whf.
POYANG (B. & S.), British, 1,657 tons, ex-Singapore, A. Taylor A14
TJIBADAK (R.I.L.), Dutch, 10,000 tons, ex-Batavia A7
UNION MARINER (Everett), Chinese, 2,123 tons, ex-Rangoon B10

TODAY

TSINAN (B. & S.) ex-Shanghai.

TOMORROW

SARPEDON (B. & S.) ex-U.K.
SVEN SALEN (W. Hunt) ex-Atlantic Coast.

Shipping Departures

YESTERDAY

HAI CHIAO (C.M.S.N.) for Bangkok.
HAI HSIA (C.M.S.N.) for Singapore.
HAI HSUI (C.M.S.N.) for Bangkok.
HAI TAI (C.M.S.N.) for Haiphong.
TASMAN (R.I.L.) for Manila.
VILJA (Wallem) for Kobe.

TODAY

FENGTIEN (B. & S.) for Singapore.
FLYING ARROW (Pattison) for S'hai.
KWEIYANG (B. & S.) for Saigon.
HANYANG (B. & S.) for Swatow.
HUNAN (B. & S.) for Tientsin.
TITANIA (Dodwell) for Atlantic Coast.
TJIBADAK (R.I.L.) for Amoy.
TURKSHEAD (Everett) for Shanghai.

TOMORROW

HAIYANG (Douglas) for Swatow.

Vessels In Port

AGAMEMNON (B. & S.) .. Holts Whf.
ANAKAN (Grimble) ..... K. Dk.
BONTEKOE (R.I.O.) ..... Taikoo Dk.
BUSHWOOD (Mac. Mac.) ..... K. Dk.
CALTEX (Caltex) ..... K. Dk.
DAVIKEN (B. & S.) ..... Taikoo Dk.
EMPIRE PARK (Jebsen) ..... Y.M.T.
FENGTIEN (B. & S.) B3
FLYING ARROW (Pattison) .. K. Whf.
FUKWANG (A.P.C.) ..... Port Oiler.
GLENARTNEY (Jardine) .. Holts Whf.
HAI LEE (Thoresen) ..... K. Dk.
HAI TAN (Douglas) ..... K. Dk.
HALEAKALA (De La Rama). T.K. Dk.
HANYANG (B. & S.) ..... Cust. Whf.
HUNAN (B. & S.) A13
HUNG HAO (H.D. Co.) ..... K. Dk.
INCHORAG (Williamson) ..... K. Dk.
KIANG YONG (Gilman) ..... Ymt.
KUT SANG (Jardine) B2
KWEIYANG (B. & S.) B14
LOUIS MOLLER (Mollers) .... K. Dk.
MASBATE (S China) ..... L.C.K.
MAXWELL (BRANDER (S.T.O.) .. A11
MELCHIOR TERUB (R.I.L.) .. L.C.K.
NEWCHANG (B. & S.) B4
NGO WEI (C.M.S.N.) ..... S.S. Po
NORTH STAR (Mollers) ..... K. Bay
POLTAVA (Wallem) ..... K.B.
POYANG (B. & S.) A14
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SHIH MEN (Dodwell) ..... Y.M.T.
SZECHUEN (B. & S.) B9
STORE NORDISKE (Easter Ent.) H.H.
TAIKINSHAN (Shun Cheong) ... Yau
TAICHUNGSHAN (Sun Cheong) .. T. Dk.
TALTHYBIUS (B. & S.) .... K. Dry
UNION MARINER (Everett) B10
VAN RIENSDYK (R.I.L.) A1
WHANGPU (B. & S.) ..... S.C.
WUCHANG (B. & S.) ..... S.C.

VESSELS DUE FROM

AFRICA

	Dec.
TEGELBERG (R.I.L.) ex-S. Africa..	3
	Jan.
RUYS (R.I.L.) ex-S. Africa	15
	Feb.
STRAAT MALAKKA (R.I.L.) ex-S. Africa	23

AMERICA
ATLANTIC COAST

	Nov.
CHINESE PRINCE (Jardine) ex-New York	30
STAGHOUND (U.S.L.) ex-New York	3
SVEN SALEN (Hunt) ex-Atlantic Coast	29
TALISMAN (Dodwell) ex-Atlantic Coast	End
	Dec.
DONA NATI (Rama) ex-Atlantic Coast	19
FERNCAPE (Thoresen) ex-Atlantic Coast	12
FERNHILL (Thoresen) ex-Atlantic Coast	18
GRANVILLE (Thoresen) ex-Atlantic Coast	3
GREEN BAY VICTORY (U.S.L.) ex-New York	6
ISLANDSIDE (D'well) ex-Montreal	Early
MAGNOLIA STATE (Gourlie) ex-New York	3
MARCHEN MAERSK (Jebsen) ex-New York	12
PIONEER BAY (U.S.L.) ex-New York	6
RESOLUTE (U.S.L.) ex-Atlantic Ports	12
RHEXENOR (B. & S.) ex-U.S.A. ..	22
SILVERBRIAR (R.I.L.) ex-U.S.A. ..	17
STAGHOUND (U.S.L.) ex-New York	17
STEEL MAKER (Gilman) ex-Atlantic	28
TOSCA (Hunt) ex-Atlantic Coast.	Late
WILLIAMETTE VICTORY (A.P.L.) ex-N.Y.	12
	Jan.
FERNPLANT (Thoresen) ex-U.S.A.	12
FERNGULF (Thoresen) ex-Atlantic Coast	12
	Feb.
MANDEVILLE (Thoresen) ex-U.S.A.	5
	Mar.
FERNMOOR (Thoresen) ex-Atlantic Coast	5

PACIFIC COAST

	Dec.
CASTLEVILLE (Bank Line) ex-Pacific Coast	5
ROSEVILLE (Bank) ex-Pacific Coast	24

AUSTRALIA

	Dec.
NELLORE (E. & E.) ex-Australia..	3
PRODUCE (B. & S.) ex-Australia	4th wk.
SOOCHOW (B. & S.) ex-Australia	4th wk.
	Jan.
AROS (Dodwell) ex-Australia	Mid
	Feb.
CITOS (Dodwell) ex-Australia ..	Early

CHINA

	Nov.
HANYANG (B. & S.) ex-Swtow ..	30
LOKSANG (Jardine) ex-Shanghai..	30
TSINAN (B. & S.) ex-Shanghai ..	28
	Dec.
FREDERICK LYKES (A.P.L.) ex-Shanghai	Early
HINSANG (Jardine) ex-Shanghai ..	1
LENEVERETT (Everett) ex-Shanghai	10
SANGOLA (B.I.) ex-Amoy	29
SOUDAN (P. & O.) ex-Shanghai and Japan	31
TASMAN (R.I.L.) ex-Amoy	7
TJIKAMPEK (R.I.L.) ex-Shanghai..	9
	Jan.
SIRDHANA (B.I.) ex-Shanghai	23
	Feb.
SHIRALA (B.I.) ex-Amoy	9

EUROPE

	Nov.
BENNEVIS (Loxley) ex-U.K.	End
BARPEDON (B. & S.) ex-U.K.	29
	Dec.
AGAPENOR (B. & S.) ex-U.K.	24
ATREUS (B. & S.) ex-U.K.	15
JENARES (Gilman) ex-Europe	4
DENARTY (Loxley) ex-U.K.	Early
DENLOMOND (Loxley) ex-U.K. ..	End
DENVRACKIE (Loxley) ex-U.K. ..	End
CALCHAS (B. & S.) ex-U.K.	1
CHAMPOLLION (M.M.) ex-Europe.	End
EURYMEDON (B. & S.) ex-U.K. ..	3
GLENROY (Jardine) ex-Europe	7
GLENERCHY (Jardine) ex-U.K. ...	22
GRONLAND (M.M.) ex-Europe ..	20
MOLENKERK (R.I.L.) ex-U.K.	3
THEVANION (P. & O.) ex-U.K. ..	15
VIVITA (Thoresen) ex-U.K.	7
	Jan.
BRECONSHIRE (Jardine) ex-U.K...	30
DENVRACKIE (Loxley) ex-U.K. ..	Mid
GLENEARN (Jardine) ex-U.K.	11
DENLOMOND (Loxley) ex-U.K. ..	Mid
MALACCA (E.A.C.) ex-Europe ..	Mid
MEERKERK (R.I.L.) ex-Europe ..	Early
SURAT (P. & O.) ex-London via Straits	3
TOMAR (Thoresen) ex-Europe	Mid
TREVEAN (P. & O.) ex-Europe ..	5
	Feb.
GLENGARRY (Jardine) ex-U.K. ..	26
MONGOLIA (E.A.C.) ex-Europe ..	Mid
TREVELYAN (P. & O.) ex-London	Early

INDIA

	Dec.
SANGOLA (B.I.) ex-Calcutta	17
TAKSANG (Jardine) ex-Calcutta ..	18
WOSANG (Jardine) ex-India	2
	Jan.
SHIRALA (B.I.) ex-Calcutta	17
SIRDHANA (B.I.) ex-India and Straits	4

JAPAN

	Nov.
CHANGTE (B. & S.) ex-Japan	30
	Dec.
CHAKSANG (Jardine) ex-Japan Port	9
EASTERN (E. & A.) ex-Japan	10
EASTERN SAGA (Jardine) ex-Japan	28
FREDERICK LYKES (A.P.L.) ex-Japan	Early
SANGOLA (B.I.) ex-Japan, Amoy..	29
SIRDHANA (B.I.) ex-Japan, Shanghai	23
SOUDAN (P. & O.) ex-Japan	21
TJIKAMPEK (R.I.L.) ex-Japan	10
	Feb.
SHIRALA (B.I.) ex-Japan	9

SOUTH-EAST PORTS

	Nov.
ST. MICHAEL (M.M.) ex-Saigon ...	30
WOSANG (Jardine) ex-Straits	30
	Dec.
BRADEVERETT (Everett) ex-Singapore	8
HEINRICH JESSEN (B. & S.) ex-Singapore	2
MAUSANG (Jardine) ex-Sandakan..	4
NOREVERETT (Everett) ex-Manila..	3
SANGOLA (B.I.) ex-Straits	10
TAKSANG (Jardine) ex-Straits	18
TJISADANE (R.I.L.) ex-Java Ports	23
TJITJALENGKA (R.I.L.) ex-Java Ports	11
YOCHOW (B. & S.) ex-Singapore..	3
	Jan.
SHIRALA (B.I.) ex-Straits	17
YUNAN (B. & S.) ex-Bangkok	7

SOUTH AMERICA

	Dec.
TEGELBERG (R.I.L.) ex-S. America	3
	Jan.
RUYS (R.I.L.) ex-S. America	15
	Feb.
STRAAT MALAKKA (R.I.L.) ex-S. America	23

SAILINGS TO

AFRICA

Dec.
13 TJIKAMPEK (R.I.L.) for S. Africa.
Jan.
14 TEGELBERG (R.I.L.) for S. Africa and S. America.
Feb.
15 RUYS (R.I.L.) for S. Africa.
Mar.
15 STRAAT MALAKKA (R.I.L.) for S. Africa.

AMERICA
ATLANTIC COAST

Nov.
29 TITANIA (Dodwell) for Atlantic Coast.
30 MARQUETTE VICTORY (Gilman) for Atlantic Coast.
Late. CHINESE PRINCE (Jardine) for New York.
Dec.
1 AXEL SALEN (Hunt) for Atlantic Coast.
6 AGAMEMNON (B. & S.) for Atlantic Ports.
7 PIONEER BAY (U.S.L.) for New York.
9 LAURA MAERSK (Jebsen) for New York.
13 FERNCAPE (Thoresen) for Atlantic Coast.
13 WILLAMETTE VICTORY (A.P.L.) for U.S.A.
14 BORGHOLT (Wallem) for Atlantic Coast.
18 SILVERBRIAR (R.I.L.) for Atlantic Coast.
18 TALISMAN (Dodwell) for Atlantic Coast.
18 STAGHOUND (U.S.L.) for New York
20 BORGHOLT (Wallem) for Atlantic Coast.
21 DONA NATI (Rama) for Atlantic Coast.
24 ANDREW JACKSON (Wallem) for New York.
28 SANTA CLARA VICTORY (Gilman) for Atlantic Coast.
31 GREENBAY VICTORY (U.S.L.) for Atlantic Coast.
31 GERTRUDE MAERSK (Jebsen) for New York.
Jan.
8 LA SALLE (Wallem) for New York.
12 FERNGULF (Thoresen) for Atlantic Coast.
28 KYSKA (Wallem) for New York.
Feb.
6 MANDEVILLE (Thoresen) for U.S.A.

PACIFIC COAST

Nov.
29 TITANIA (Dodwell) for Pacific Coast
Dec.
12 PARAMATTA (Wallem) for Pacific Coast.
19 TALISMAN (Dodwell) for Pacific Coast.
Jan.
9 VITO (Wallem) for Pacific Coast.

AUSTRALIA

Dec.
3 CHANGTE (B. & S.) for Australian ports.
8 BALUCHISTAN (Jardine) for Australia.
11 EASTERN (E. & A.) for Australia.
Jan.
Early. NELLOR (E. & A.) for Australia.

CHINA

Nov.
28 TURKSHEAD (Everett) for Shanghai
29 HAIYANG (Douglas) for Swatow.
30 EASTERN SAGA (Jardine) for S'hai.
30 SHENGKING (B. & S.) for S'hai.
30 SZECHUEN (B. & S.) for Amoy, Foochow.
Dec.
1 HANYANG (B. & S.) for Swatow.
1 HUPEH (B. & S.) for Inchon.
3 HAI FEI (C.M.S.N.) for Shanghai.
3 WOSANG (Jardine) for Shanghai.
4 CALCHAS (B. & S.) for Shanghai and Japan.
5 HEINRICH JESSEN (B. & S.) for Amoy and Swatow.
5 MOLENKERK (R.I.L.) for Shanghai and Japan.
7 SARPEDON (B. & S.) for Shanghai.
10 BRADEVERETT (Everett) for S'hai.
10 NELLORE (E.A.) for Shanghai and Japan.
10 SHENGKING (B. & S.) for Shanghai.
13 SANGOLA (B.I.) for Shanghai, Amoy.
16 TAKSANG (Jardine) for Shanghai.
End. CHAMPOLLION (M.M.) for S'hai.
Jan.
5 SURAT (P. & O.) for Shanghai.
7 SIRDHANA (B.I.) for Amoy, S'hai.
20 SHIRALA (B.I.) for Amoy and Japan

EUROPE

Nov.
30 NIKODAR (E. Asiatic) for Europe.
Dec.
4 BRYNJE (Gilman) for Europe.
7 TOULOUSE (Thoresen) for Europe.
10 BENARES (Gilman) for Europe.
15 GLENARTNEY (Jardine) for U.K.
15 KOREA (E.A. Co.) for U.K.
Mid. DENARTY (Loxley) for U.K.
Mid. MOLENKIRK (R.I.L.) for U.K.
18 SARPEDON (B. & S.) for U.K.
21 GRONLAND (M.M.) for Marseilles.
23 SOUDAN (P. & O.) for London.
End. BENNEVIS (Loxley) for U.K.
End. GLENOGLE (Jardine) for U.K.
Jan.
Dec. CHAMPOLLION (M.M.) for Marseilles.
1st wk. AGAPENOR (B. & S.) for U.K.
Mid. DENVRACKIE (Loxley) for U.K.
Mid. EERKERK (R.I.L.) for Europe.
Mid. SURAT (P. & O.) for London.
15 OLUF MAERSK (Gilman) for Europe
End. DERLOMOND (Loxley) for U.K.
End. MALACCA (E.A.C.) for Europe.
Feb.
Mid. TONGHAI (Gilman) for Europe.

INDIA

Dec.
5 NOREVERETT (Everett) for Bombay

JAPAN

Nov.
30 POYANG (B. & S.) for Yokohama and Kobe.
Dec.
5 MOLENKERK (R.I.L.) for Japan.
11 YUNAN (B. & S.) for Japan.
15 SANGOLA (B.I.) for Japan.
17 TREVANION (P. & O.) for Japan.
Jan.
5 SURAT (P. & O.) for Japan.
7 SIRDHANA (B.I.) for Japan.
20 SHIRALA (B.I.) for Japan.

SOUTH-EAST PORTS

Nov.
28 KWEIYANG (B. & S.) for Saigon, Singapore.
30 BRIS (Thoresen) for Bangkok.
30 KUTSANG (Jardine) for Straits and Calcutta.
End. TALISMAN (Dodwell) for Manila.
Dec.
2 HAILEE (Thoresen) for Singapore.
2 ST. MICHAEL (M.M.) for Saigon.
3 SINKIANG (B. & S.) for Singapore.
4 HINSANG (Jardine) for Sandakan.
4 STAGHOUND (U.S.L.) for Manila.
5 NOREVERETT (Everett) for S'apore
6 VAN RIEMSDYK (R.I.L.) for Straits.
8 BALUCHISTAN (Jardine) for Manila.
8 TASMAN (R.I.L.) for Java Ports
9 GREEN BAY VICTORY (U.S.L.) for Manila.
11 EASTERN (E. & A.) for Manila.
12 LENEVERETT (Everett) for Manila.
13 CHAKSANG (Jardine) for Straits and Calcutta.
13 RESOLUTE (U.S.L.) for Manila.
15 GLENARTNEY (Jardine) for Straits
Mid. MOLENKIRK (R.I.L.) for Straits.
19 SOUDAN (P. & O.) for Straits.
23 TJITJALENGKA (R.I.L.) for Java Ports.
27 EASTERN SAGA (Jardine) for Straits.
End. GLENOGLE (Jardine) for Straits.
Jan.
2 SANGOLA (B.I.) for Straits, Calcutta
6 TJISADANE (R.I.L.) for Macassar.
Mid. MEERKERK (R.I.L.) for Manila and Straits.
Mid. SURAT (P. & O.) for Straits and Colombo.
26 SIRDHANA (B.I.) for Straits.
Feb.
3 TJIBADAK (R.I.L.) for Java Ports.
13 SHIRALA (B.I.) for Straits.

SOUTH AMERICA

Dec.
13 TJIKAMPEK (R.I.L.) for S. America
Jan.
14 TEGELBERG (R.I.L.) for S. America
Feb.
15 RUYS (R.I.L.) for S. America.
Mar.
15 STRAAT MALAKKA (R.I.L.) for S. America.

VANCOUVER

Dec.
9 CASTLEVILLE (Bank) for Vancouver.

NY RUBBER

New York, November 27.
Rubber standard futures closed nine lower to five higher. Sales 58 contracts.
December 18.01; March 18.40 bid; number one futures five higher to ten lower; sales 29 contracts. March 18; 60; May 18.43; July 18.30 bid; number one ribbed smoked sheets 20 nominal.—Associated Press.

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SAILINGS

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m.v. "EASTERN SAGA"	to Shanghai & Japan Ports	noon 30th Nov.
S.S. "WOSANG"	to Keelung, Shanghai & Japan	3rd Dec.
S.S. "HINSANG"	to Sandakan	4th Dec.
S.S. "CHAKSANG"	to Straits & Calcutta	13th Dec.
S.S. "TAKSANG"	to Shanghai & Japan Ports	16th Dec.
m.v. "EASTERN SAGA"	to Straits & Calcutta	27th Dec.

ARRIVALS

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Monday, October 24, 1949.
Monday, November 21, 1949.
Monday, December 19, 1949.

Prospective candidates should make their applications in person on the Friday morning prior to the week of examination.

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Monday, September 5, 1949.
Tuesday, November 8, 1949.

For 1st Class Certificate.

Monday, February 14, 1949.
Monday, April 11, 1949.
Monday, June 13, 1949.
Monday, July 11, 1949.
Tuesday, October 11, 1949.
Monday, December 12, 1949.

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Local Estates Left By Residents

Local estate, sworn under $85,000, was left by Miss Evelyn Mary Gaskell, formerly of No. 4 Eccleston Mews, Belgrave Place, London, who died at that address on August 4, 1947.

An application has been granted to Mr. E.H. Moffat for resealing certified copy of Letters of Administration for and on behalf of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank (Trustee) Ltd.

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Local estate, sworn under $3,500, was left by Mr. John MacGuffin, Surveyor of Ships, formerly of Singapore, who died in a Sumatra Internment Camp on March 8, 1947.

An application for resealing certified copy of Letters of Administration has been granted to Mr. D.L. Strellett.

Money Market

Gold opened yesterday at HK$297.25 a tael and closed at $293.75. Highest and lowest rates of the day were $299 and $295.75.

U.S. dollars were unchanged at HK$5.12.

Gold Yuan stood at about the same level as the previous day. Quoted at 15¼ cents and 16¼ cents for Hong Kong delivery. Canton remittances were booked at the same rate, while Shanghai remittances were at 12 cents.

Piastres opened at HK$9.61¼ a 100, and closed at $9.60.

Ticals were unchanged at HK$12.80 a 100, and so were NEI Guilders at HK$33.50 a 100.

Sterling at HK$15.40 and Australian pounds at HK$12.54 were the same as the previous day.

Badminton Season Starts; 11 Matches Played In 1st Round

(By ARGONAUT)

The Hong Kong Badminton season got off to a rousing start last week, when no less than 11 matches were played in the opening rounds of the various Leagues.

The standard, on the whole was rather rusty, as could be expected after the long summer's lay-off. The majority of the players were still trying to shake the cob-webs off their their rackets, by the way the shuttles were falling short of the base-lines.

In the Men's Senior Division only one game was decided. Recreio fully justified my confidence by notching up their first two points of the season at the expense of the KCC.

The latter seemed to be experiencing some difficulties in fielding a good side, and although they lost, deserved every compliment for the sporting manner in which they have tried to rig up a team for this Division.

Recreio gave me the impression of being a better side this season with the new line-up, and with more practice should be well in the running for honours in this Division.

In T. E. Rodrigues and A. J. Remedios, they have partially solved the problem of a third pair. These two have youth and speed in their favour, in addition to their powerful smashes.

Their greatest weaknesses, however, are in their net shots, and an inclination to play a stereotyped hard-hitting game. If only they would adapt their play to the weak points of their opponents, they should be able to secure a few important games for the Recreio.

Week's Best Match

The Senior Mixed Doubles clash between the University and the Chinese YMCA proved to be the best match of the week. University were without the services of their two star-players, K. S. Low and S. A. Vanar, while the Chinese YMCA fielded a team consisting mainly of players from last year's League Champions, the Sing Tao Sports Club.

The University did extremely well to extend their more redoubtable opponents to 3 games to 0. A very weak third pair caused their undoing. A feature of the game was the spirited display put up by the University player, H. T. Heah, a new-comer to local badminton, but of whom I am sure more will be heard in the badminton world.

Hailing from the same town as the Malayan Champion, Ooi Teik Hock, his foot-work and strokes are peculiarly similar to those of the former. Possessing also a very fine match temperament, I predict that he will be he most likely among the new players to create some major upsets during the season.

C. K. Lee in this first local appearance since the war showed that he has lost little of his pre-war form, and will be a force to reckon with in this season's games.

Among the ladies, Winnie Cheung, was still a class by herself and had a fairly easy time. Ulian Khoo and Mrs. Chung were the weakest points in the YMCA armour. The former had a completely off-night and Mrs. Chung was woefully weak at the net.

Vast improvements will have to be shown by them, if the YMCA to win their game against the Recreio, whose ladies are on the whole far superior.

On the University side, I was pleased to notice that Adeline Heah, in partnership with her brother, showed vast improvement over her previous season's form. In connection with this game, a very noticeable point was that there was a great tendency for the lady-partners to play far back into the back-court, when their actual position should be right up at the net.

It is seldom realised perhaps, that it is always the tactical move of the opponent to draw the man-partner up to the fore-court or the lady-partner back into the hind-court with his first initial service, and when this happens the next shot is inevitably a kill.

In the Men's 'B' Division, I was able to witness only one game—that between the University and Kowloon Tong "A". Although the latter lost by 3 games to 0, they put up a magnificent fight.

The standard of play would have been higher, had the lighting of the University court been better, and it is hoped that as this court will be the venue of some interesting matches later in the season, some attempts will be made to improve this condition.

Except for their first pair, Choo Tien-hock and Loke Kok-hong, who are a class by themselves in this Division, the University team is not as formidable as their last year one. They will probably have to make a fight for it, if they wish to repeat the performances of their last year's 'B' team.

I was not able to watch any Junior Mixed Doubles game during the course of the week, but hope to make some comments on this Division in my next review. The results of the two matches played were:

St. Teresa's "A" beat Kowloon Dock, 6-3:

Miss G. Silva and M. Verleysen beat M. Kempton and Mrs. McCall 21-11, beat C. Blenkinsop and Mrs. D. Ramsay 21-15, beat A. E. Elliott and Mrs. J. Greenbalgh 21-2.

Miss B. Remedios and A. D. Brown beat M. Kempton and Mrs. McCall 21-10, beat C. C. Blenkinsop and Mrs. D. Ramsay 21-7, lost to A. E. Elliott and Mrs. J. Greenbalgh 14-21.

Miss T. Remedios and J. A. Soares lost to M. Kempton and Mrs. McCall 19-24, beat C. Blenkinsop and Mrs. D. Ramsay 21-15, lost to A. E. Elliott and Mrs. J. Greenbalgh 16-21.

Recreio beat St. Teresa's B, 8-1:

C. Quinn and Miss Y. Franco beat Peter Lo and Miss B. Remedios 21-12, beat A. J. Gonsalves and Miss M. Pomeroy 21-8, beat R. M. Soares and Miss J. Pomeroy 21-13.

A. J. Remedios and Miss M. Xavier beat Peter Lo and Miss Remedios 21-12, beat A. J. Gonsalves and Miss Pomeroy 21-18, beat Soares and Miss Pomeroy 21-13.

H. J. Xavier and Miss T. Baptista lost to Peter Lo and Miss Remedios 7-21, beat Gonsalves and Miss Pomeroy 21-18, beat Soares and Miss Pomeroy 21-16.

This Week's Fixtures

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29
Senior Men's Doubles Division
Chinese YMCA v. KCC.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1

Men's Doubles "B" Division

Kowloon Dock v. St. John's "A"
VRC "A" v. Kowloon Tong "A".
St. Teresa's "A" vs. KCC.
St. John's "B" vs. VRC "B".
Kowloon Tong "B" vs. Recreio.
RAF v. St. Teresa's "B".
Chung Wah v. Chinese YMCA (Y court).

Bazaar To Be Held At Stanley

In the pleasantly rural atmosphere of Stanley Peninsula, a Bazaar will be held at the Prison Officer's Club, under the auspices of a Committee of resident ladies, on Saturday, December 4.

Lady Grantham has promised to attend and open the function at 3 o'clock.

The Committee and helpers have been hard at work for several weeks making and collecting all kinds of interesting and useful articles which will serve as Christmas presents, of use to men, women and children, and adorn the person and the home. All these will be on sale at extremely reasonable prices.

There will be one stall displaying for sale needle-work and knitted goods made voluntarily by women prisoners after their normal day of work at Li Chi Kok Prison. The total proceeds of this stall will go to the Welfare Fund, from which the most needy cased are given assistance on discharge from prison, a fair example of a communal effort at self-help rather that dependence on charity.

There will be a variety of games, which will include the time-honoured coconut-shy, a treasure island, a fishing well, darts etc. all with prizes to be won by the skilful or lucky ones.

Refreshments will be available.

Miss Moran's Birthday Party

Perhaps you were one of the lucky few invited by Miss Olwyn Moran (12 years of age on Monday) to her birthday party which was held yesterday afternoon.

Olwyn met her guests in a new blue frock and a coiffure she had arranged herself—two plaits tied high on her head with two blue bows. The party went on merrily with cream puffs, iced cakes, birthday cake and soft drinks, followed by sliding on the Gripps' dance floor when no one was looking and a game of tip round the tables.

Olwyn is the elder daughter of Mr. H. N. Moran, an Inspector at Central Court. Her presents were mostly books and jewellery with a miniature guitar from her parents.

Mrs. Moran, who is 'cello player in the Hong Kong Light Orchestra, said the party was a special one, as the family would be leaving the colony on January 31 for Jersey in the Channel Islands.

BAILS ORDERED ESTREATED

Before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday two bails of $500 were ordered to be estreated when the defendants failed to answer to their respective charges.

They were Yu Lau, aged 31, second hand dealer, charged with loitering and possession of an instrument fit for an unlawful purpose.

The other defendant was Ip Ping-kee 33, unemployed booked on one charge of loitering.

The necessary warrants have been issued for their apprehen-

TEMPORARY CAR PARK

Owing to major street repairs in the Central district it has been necessary to divert certain traffic routes. This has also meant the temporary abolishing of the car park particularly in the Connaught Road, Jackson Road area. The Commissioner of Police to avoid car owners from inconvience, has approached the GOC who has consented to the use of part of Murray Parade Ground as a car park.

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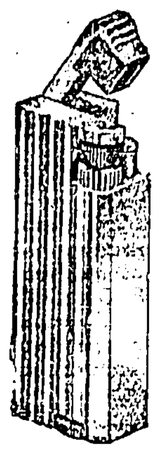

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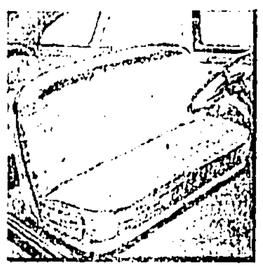

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Thrilling Climax In Cricket Match

Army Hold KCC To Draw; "U" Tie HKCC

A thrilling climax featured the First Division Cricket match between Army and Kowloon Cricket Club at Sookunpoo yesterday.

Dismissing Army for exactly 100 runs, KCC put up a very poor performance when it came to their own turn at the wicket. At the time of drawing stumps, they had only managed to secure 89 runs, with their last man in.

After compiling a respectable total against HKCC "Optimists" at Chater Road, Hong Kong University were also held to a draw, the "Optimists" playing out time.

Visiting Sookunpoo, Craigengower CC suffered a crushing defeat at the hands of Indian Recreation Club, who won by six wickets.

The match between Royal Navy and HKCC "Scorpions" at King's Park, which was featured by high scoring on both sides, ended in a draw.

HKUCC—Optimists

Hong Kong University were somewhat unfortunate to have been held to a draw in their match against HKCC "Optimists" at Chater Road.

Taking first leave of the wicket, University scored 172, to which J.M. Gosano contributed 52. Other batsmen to do well for University were Chelliah (25), Vanar (24) and Lo (21).

Again the steady bowling of University, the "Optimists" could only muster 99 for eight when stumps were drawn. R.W. Franklin had 38 not out to his credit.

The most successful of the University bowlers was S.M. Teh, who captured three wickets for 17 runs.

HKUCC

S.M. Teh, c McLellan, b Perry	8
T. Lo, b Rowe	21
J.M. Gosano, b Mahon	52
L.T. Ride, c Howard, b Rowe	0
D. Chelliah, lbw, b Rowe	25
S.A. Vanar, c Luttle, b Perry	24
C. Huang, lbw, b Odell	10
J.C. Koh, not out	18
E. Ho, not out	2
H. Amann, did not bat	0
T.H. Lean, did not bat	0
Extras	12
Total	172

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
T.P. Mahon	10	2	40	1
A.E. Perry	11	3	32	2
G.T. Rowe	9	1	35	3
D. McLellan	5	0	34	0
D.S. Odell	2	0	19	1

HKCC OPTIMISTS

M.M. Little, lbw, b Lean	15
K.A. Miller, b Vanar	20
M.R. Oliver, st. Gosano, b Koh	14
G.T. Rowe, c & b Teh	4
R.W. Franklin, not out	38
T.P. Mahon, c & b Teh	0
D. McLellan, c Gosano, b Teh	1
A.E. Perry, c E. Ho, b Lean	0
W.L. Howard, lbw, b Lean	2
W.J. Slagter, not out	0
Extras	5
Total	99

D.S. Odell did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
T.H. Lean	11	1	38	3
S.M. Teh	8	2	17	3
J.C. Koh	8	0	27	1
S.A. Vanar	6	2	16	1

Navy—Scorpions

The game between Royal Navy and HKCC "Scorpions" at King's Park ended in a draw.

Batting first, Royal Navy declared at 122 for eight. The most successful Navy batsman for Navy was Hart, who scored 39 before being bowled by Stokes.

Replying to the Navy's effort, "Scorpions" had collected 120 for six when stumps were drawn. To this total, O.J. Kerr contributed a valuable 47.

ROYAL NAVY

Winyard b Howarth	4
Harrison b Pearce	2
Habershon b Howarth	1
Windmill run out	1
Fluck c Stokes b Pearce	0
Hughes St. Arnold b Stokes	2
Hart b Stokes	39
Porson not out	21
Evans b Stokes	5
Hann not out	4
Extras	18
Total (for 8 wkts. dec.)	122

White did not bat

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Howarth	15	3	24	2
Peace	9	3	20	2
Kerr	2	0	18	0
Stokes	9	1	30	3
Gee	3	0	12	0

HKCC SCORPIONS

J.F. Stokes b Hart	5
O.J. Kerr not out	47
D.H. Leach b Hart	7
T.A. Pearce b Hann	8
F. Howarth b White	18
A. Graham b White	6
K.J. Attwell b White	0
E.F. Gee not out	0
Extras	29
Total (for 6 wkts.)	120

J. Franson, C.P. Weir and M. Harrison did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

	O	M	R	W
Winyard	4	0	14	0
Hart	9	1	28	2
Hann	4	0	25	1
Windmill	3	0	13	0
White	4.3	0	11	3

Army—KCC

Playing at home, Army were held to a draw by Kowloon Cricket Club.

Haig was top scorer for Army, knocking up 30 runs before being dismissed.

For KCC, the only batsman to offer any resistance to the Army bowlers was E.C. Fincher, who scored 30 before before being bowled.

ARMY

Murray-Brown, b. F. R. Zimmern	20
Bucknall, lbw., b. Zimmern	0
Banton, b. F. R. Zimmern	19
Dawe, b. F. R. Zimmern	1
Wilson, lbw., b. Divecha	0
Haig, b. Divecha	30
Ffrench Blake, c. Fincher, b. F. R. Zimmern	10
Burton, c. A. Zimmern, b. F. R. Zimmern	0
Stepto, lbw., b. Divecha	11
Jones, c. Hart-Baker, b. Divecha	0
Wall, not out	3
Extras	6
Total	100

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
F. R. Zimmern	14	3	35	6
R. E. Lee	8	1	20	—
M. J. Divecha	9	1	27	4
J. Barrow	3	—	12	0

KCC

E. C. Fincher, b. Jones	30
M. J. Divecha, b. Banton	9
A. Zimmern, b. Jones	2
W.D.N. Webb, lbw., b. Banton	14
J. Barrow, c. Murray-Brown b. Stepto	3
F. R. Zimmern, c. Jones, b. Banton	7
N. Hart-Baker, lbw., b. Jones	5
Hewitt, b. Banton	2
H. E. Lee, b. Banton	5
H. E. Matthews, not out	0
G. E. Taylor, not out	0
Extras	12
Total	89

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Stepto	8	1	27	1
Banton	14	3	31	5
Jones	7	1	19	3

CCC—IRC

Craigengower Cricket Club lost to Indian Recreation Club by six wickets at Sookunpoo, cost of 12 runs.

A. R. Abbas was in good form, capturing six CCC wickets at a

CCC

G. Hong Choy, c. & b. Arculli	1
A. H. Ismail, c. I. M. Omar, b. A. K. Ismail	1
G. A. Souza, b. Abbas	14
R. Tay, c. A. H. Ismail, b. Abbas	15
S. Ramchand, b. Abbas	19
P. J. Billimoria, c. S. H. Khan b. A. K. Ismail	0
C. W. Lam, b. Abbas	0
S. Leonard, lbw., b. Abbas	0
J.L. Youngsaye, b. A.K. Ismail	0
R. O. Baker, b. Abbas	0
T. Crabtree, not out	0
Extras	0
Total	50

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. el Arculli (Jr)	6	1	16	1
A. K. Ismail	9.5	2	22	3
A. R. Abbas	4	1	12	6

IRC

K. Nazarin, b. Billimoria	12
S. A. Ismail, c. Hong Choy, b. Billimoria	1
A. R. Kitchell, b. Billimoria	12
A. E. Madar, Retired	17
A. R. Abbas, Retired	15
A.R. Suffiad, lbw., b. Crabtree	4
A. K. Ismail, c. & b. Lam	8
M. I. Razack, b. Hong Choy	19
A. el Arculli (Jr), c. Ramchand, b. Hong Choy	3
S. H. Khan, b. Crabtree	13
I. M. Omar, not out	7
Extra	2
Total	113

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W
Billimoria	11	3	26	3
Crabtree	10.3	4	34	2
C. W. Lam	4	1	34	0
G. Hong Choy	3	0	17	2

KCC—Army

After knocking up 112 runs, KCC 2nd XI were held to a draw by Army, who had scored only 68 in reply, with their last man in, when stumps were drawn.

KCC 2ND XI

S. Trueman, b Jones	31
V. White, lbw Payne	13
E. Randall, b Rodgers	8
A. White, c Dobson, b Jones	9
S. Gray, not out	16
E. Hancock, b Jones	2
K. Adams, c Escourt, b Payne	15
G. Rosselett, run out	0
V. Bond, b Balderson	0
R. Leigh, not out	7
Extras	11
Total	112

V. Seymour did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Payne	14	5	46	2
Rodgers	7	3	21	1
Jones	8	1	20	3
Twelvetrees	5	1	9	0
Balderson	3	1	5	1

ARMY 2ND XI

Dobson, b Hancock	9
Escourt, b White	9
Cross, st. Leigh	0
Payne, c Leigh, b White	12
Rodgers, lbw Hancock	1
Wood, lbw Hancock	3
Twelvetrees, c Leigh, b Bond	15
Jones, not out	8
Balderson, lbw Bond	0
Ford, c Rosselett, b Bond	5
Ebremy, not out	0
Extras	6
Total	68

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hancock	14	2	32	3
White	9	1	22	3
Bond	5	2	8	3

Recreio—RAF

The Second Division game between Club de Recreio and RAF, which was played at King's Park, resulted in a win for Recreio by two wickets.

CLUB DE RECREIO

L. Luz, b Sawyer	0
L. Remedios, not out	46
J. Alves, lbw Sawyer	11
A. Gutteres, c Wilson, b Follett	0
C. Gutteres, c Priestley, b Follett	12
E. Alves, b Follett	2
J. Soares, c Howard, b Follett	8
E. Rosario, b Follett	1
R. Remedios, c Wildman, b Sawyer	6
A. Lopez, not out	4
Extras	3
Total	93

D. Rodrigues did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Sawyer	14	3	31	3
Follett	15	3	45	5
Holmes	2	0	10	0

RAF

Wilson, b C. Gutteres	11
Howard, b E. Alves	20
Clarke, b J. Alves	9
McLeod, b E. Alves	0
Collin, run out	2
Sawyer c & b J. Alves	15
Follett, b J. Alves	13
Priestley, b A. Gutteres	1
Cook, b A. Gutteres	4
Wildman, not out	7
Holmes, c Luz, b E. Alves	0
Extras	2
Total	90

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
C. Gutteres	10	3	30	1
E. Alves	9	1	32	3
J. Alves	4	1	16	3
A. Gutteres	3	0	4	2
Remedios	2	0	6	0

Coaching Programme

The following grounds have been allotted for the free coaching of soccer players by Mr. Eric Keen for the week ending December 3, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. daily.

Monday—Boundary St. ground.
Tuesday—Club ground.
Wednesday — Caroline Hill ground.
Thursday—Club ground.
Friday—Sookunpoo ground.

COLONEL HUNTER RESIGNS

London, November 26.

Colonel Evan Hunter, Secretary of the British Olympic Association for 25 years and one of the leading organisers of the recent Games in London, has resigned.

He will be succeeded by Mr. S. Duncan, former Oxford University athlete and soccer blue. He captained the Britain team which competed in the Empire Games in Sydney in 1938.—Reuter.

Large Coal Cargo Lands In Colony

Nearly 2,000 tons of coal arrived here yesterday in two vessels from Rangoon and the Straits.

Completing her maiden trip to China waters from Calcutta, the Chinese steamer Union Mariner brought 1,529 tons of charcoal. The vessel ended her service with Everett Steamship Company yesterday and will be handed over to the local agents, Wallem and Company, who represent the owners, Chinese Union Line.

En route from Calcutta via the Straits, the master, Mr. Chun King, who manages an all-Chinese crew of 46, reported his ship encountered monsoon weather. No damage was sustained.

The 2,123-ton Chinese motorship carried no passengers.

The British steamer Poyang, which came from the Straits, had 700 tons of charcoal and timber for the Colony and 800 tons of rubber in transit. She leaves for Japan on November 30.

She is operating the China Navigation Company's Straits-China-Japan service, for which Butterfield and Swire are the local agents.

CHARGED WITH KIDNAPPING

Lau Lin, 41-year-old widow living in an unnumbered hut at Bridges Street, and Wong Tak, 25-year-old travelling trader of 79 Tai Nam Street, first floor, were charged before Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday in connection with the kidnapping of a four-year-old child.

Both accused were alleged to have stolen Cheung Tim-fat from her mother Yeung Lo-tai at Matauwei Road on November 20. The first defendant was further stated to have taken part in the sale of the child for $300.

On the application of Sub-Inspector Macdonald, defendants were remanded for three days in custody.

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RAF	7	4	3	24
RAPC	6	5	1	20
YMCA "A"	5	4	1	19
UJC "B"	6	3	3	14
RN Dockyard	5	2	3	13
HK Signals	3	3	0	12
UJC "A"	4	3	1	11
RN Hospital	5	0	5	9
Buffs "A"	4	1	3	8
Buffs "B"	1	1	0	4
PO's Tamar	4	0	4	1
867 RAF	2	0	2	1
RN VAD's	2	0	2	0

Darlington, November 28.

Captain J. Fawcus, a horse trainer of Middleham, Yorks, and his wife, and two jockeys, Colin Hogan and R.J. Ryan, were injured in a car collision with a lorry near Middleham. All four were taken to hospital.—Reuter.

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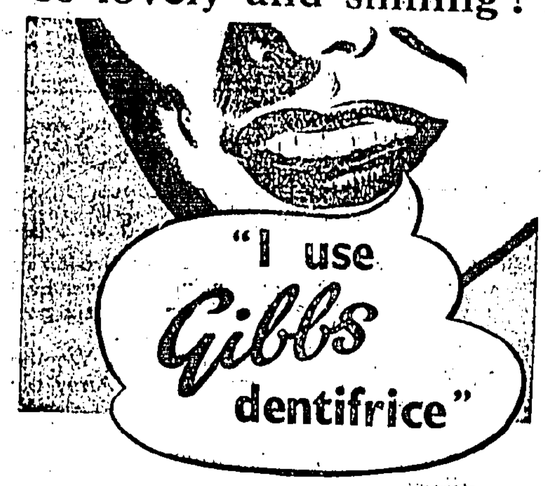

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NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Eleventh Extra Race Meeting

Saturday, 4th December, 1948.

There are eight Races, the First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at $10 including tax are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member, to be responsible for all chits etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurers' Compradore Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is $3 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Servants' passes will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

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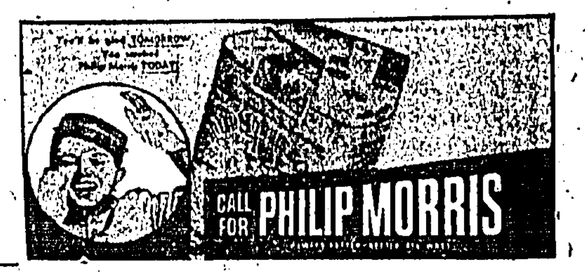

ARMY SCORE GREAT WIN OVER EASTERN

Army heralded their return to First Division soccer yesterday with a convincing win over Eastern, whom they beat at Sookunpoo by six goals to two.

Taking the field without their captain, Weatherall, who is on the injured list, the Army players treated spectators to a sparkling display of football, which was high-lighted by excellent team-work, fine opportunism and brilliant first-time shooting.

The match between Royal Navy and Club at Causeway Bay, which ended in a draw with both sides scoring twice, also proved to be a fine game, with both sides serving up a fine brand of football.

At Boundary Street, Police surprised Kit Chee by forcing the Chinese to share the points as the result of a one-all draw.

South China "A" retained their unbeaten record at the expense of Kwong Wah, whom they easily beat at Caroline Hill by four clear goals.

Army 6—Eastern 2

The Chinese started off strongly and repeatedly carried the ball into the Army goal-mouth, only to be robbed of scoring chances by the fast tackling Army defenders.

Army soon settled down and it was not long before they took up the offensive. A long pass was gathered by Brown, who streaked up the right wing and sent in a beautiful centre which was connected by Knox. Before the Chinese goalie knew what was happening, Knox had placed the ball in the net with a brilliant left-footed drive.

The Chinese were by no means upset as a result of this early reverse and fought back with determination. Leung Wing-kwong took the ball down and tested Cordell with a hot cross shot, but the Army custodian was equal to the occasion and saved in fine style.

Brown, who was in fine form, again raced up the wing with the ball and sent in a shot which skimmed along the front of the crossbar. As it began to drop, Byrnes rushed up and headed it into the net, with Leung Ting-tong, the Chinese goalie, out of position.

The second goal began to shake the confidence of the Chinese and their defenders began to crack up, with the result that the Army forwards practically had their own way.

Army went further ahead when Marsden, after beating two defenders, went through to score with a brilliant drive from about 20 yards. Within four minutes of this goal being scored, Brown took the ball through on his own and sent in a lightning-like drive which left Leung standing.

The Chinese managed to reduce the Army lead when they were awarded a penalty for hands. Lee Lung-kee, who took the spot kick, made no mistake with a hard drive to the corner of the net.

At half time, Army were leading by four goals to one.

Ten minutes after resumption, Knox, who was playing a sterling game in the forward line, gave Army their fifth goal.

During a melee in front of the Army goal, one of their defenders again had the misfortune to again handle the ball and thus give away another penalty. Yuen Yiu-lam, who was entrusted with the spot kick, converted.

The last goal of the match was scored by Byrnes, who netted with a powerful drive from a pass by Brown.

The final whistle came with Army worthy winners by six goals to two.

ARMY: Cordell, Hughes, Nassau, Manson, Craighead, Ramskill, Brown, Marsden, Byrnes, Know and Goldrick.

EASTERN: Leung Ting-tong, Kong Sin-king, Lee Nee-san, Lau Chi-chan, Lam Tak-po, Lau Hing-choy, Lee Hung-kee, Lau Fook-chuen, Lee Tin-kee, Yuen Yiu-lam and Leung Wing-kwong.

Police 1—Kit Chee 1

Kit Chee led in the first half through Wu Chiu-chong, who scored with an easy slow shot which Tsang Wing, the Police goalkeeper, could easily have saved had he controlled his excitement.

Both sets of forwards repeatedly carried the ball into enemy territory, but the stout defence and the agility of the goalkeepers prevented any scoring.

For the Police, Gordon and Ledman on numerous occasions brought up their forwards, but their Chinese colleagues failed to keep up with the pace and wasted several opportunities.

Tsang Wing did an excellent job in saving several stingers.

Kit Chee, playing their familiar game of lobbing the ball high and deep into enemy territory, were not successful due to stalwart defence by Howlett, Lai Wai and Fung Kee-ming, who cleared many dangerous shots.

At half time, the score was 1-0 in favour of Kit Chee.

With about 10 minutes more to finish, after a dreary re-start, Police equalised through Lau Pak-hung, who sent in a stinger from a through pass by Redman.

Kit Chee: Cheung Kon-hing, Chu Fu, Mok Kam-chung, L. Peng-chiu, Yau Wu-hing, Lo Wai-kuen, Tang Kong-sang, Wu Chiu-chong, Kok Chun-kan, Yu Cheuk-yin.

Police: Tsang Wing, Fung Kee-ming, Lai Wai, Lau Wing-kong, Howlett, Tsang Sik-hong, Ng Wai, Gordon, Redman, Tam Yun-kar and Lau Pak-hung.

Navy 2—Club 2

At Causeway Bay, Navy and Club battled to a draw sharing 4 goals.

Club were without the services of Forrow, their pivot, who was injured in last week's game. The centre-half position was taken over by Fowler.

At times, the Navy were all over the Club defenders, but their lack of understanding and poor shooting robbed them of many opportunities to score.

Club spread-eagled their attacks and relied mainly on Bickford at left, who was very fast and proved a dangerous foe. However against the stubborn defence of Babbage the Navy's pivot, ably supported by Convrey and Tozer these attacks were beaten off time and again.

Navy attacked from the start and two minutes from the kick-off, Wilson was sent away down the right. After beating a Club defender, he was well on the way to goal, but before he could shoot, Leck beat him to the ball.

Five minutes later, Wilson was seen again heading for Club territory and this time he made no mistake beating Leck with a grounder to give Navy the lead.

Undaunted by this early reverse, Club forced the pace, concentrating their attacks through Bickford, who made several fine centres but found the Navy defenders on their toes.

After a bout of clever passing, Kiernan received the ball when favourably placed, but he shot wide from close range. Not long after this Nelson's header skimmed the crossbar with the goalkeeper out of position.

Following a period of mid-field exchanges, Bickford was sent away and centred a perfect pass, which Weller connected with his head; but Adie brought off a spectacular full length save.

At the other end, Higgs slipped pass the Club defenders and drew Leck out of his charge, but shot wide from close range.

Just before the interval Bickford broke through and shot from a difficult angle, but Adie connected with his fists and the ball fell to the foot of Kiernan, who made no mistake with a ground shot to put Club on equal terms with the Navy.

On the resumption, Navy pressed continuously and gave the Club defenders a gruelling time. After a full minute of continuous scrimmage in front of the Club goal, in which more than 10 players were involved, centre-forward Higgs netted to put Navy in the lead.

Play then reached fever pitch as both teams battled themselves to a standstill, the ball being swung from end to end. However, both defenders were playing well and neither side scored.

At this stage, a Navy player was pulled up for fouling and Kiernan took the free kick just outside the penalty area, but Adie brought off another good full length save.

Not long after this Nelson of the Club broke through and after beating a Navy defender with some remarkable dribbling, beat Adie with a rising shot to the top corner of the net to bring Club once again on equal terms.

With 10 minutes to go, both teams struggled desperately to win.

NAVY: Adie; Convrey and Tozer; Edge, Babbage and Holleway; Wilson, Simms, Higgs, Moor and Clarke.

CLUB: Leck; Loch and Strange; Ritchie, Fowler and Beck; McKenzie, Weller, Nelson, Kiernan and Bickford.

South China "A" 4—Kwong Wah 0

South China ran out easy winners in their First Division match when they scored four without reply.

Kwong Wah, for their part, tried hard and the game resulted in a clean tussle in which they were clearly outclassed in all departments. Tam Woon-shung in the Kwong Wah goal, had a busy afternoon and did well to stem the tide and to keep South China's score to four. Aiding him at left back was veteran Ling Pak-wai, who held his side of the fort. All the goals were scored from the left.

For S. China, Lai Shui-wing was a rare schemer and besides scoring two himself, he made many openings and was a constant menace to the visiting defence. Ho Ying-fun, at outside left, was in fine form and got the other two goals by cutting in at opportune moments.

The game opened with Kwong Wah on the attack, and they kept the ball in the S. China half for some time. Their forwards lacked cohesion and often the ball was put into open spaces where players should have been. Many a good raid was spoilt by the wingmen getting clean away with the ball and centring over only to find that there were no players of their own side up the field to make good use of the ball.

After seven minutes S. China went ahead when Lai Shui-wing received the ball and with two deceptive swerves, eluded two defenders and had an easy job to beat Tam Woon-chung and give his side the lead.

Kwok Man-tim, at outside left for Kwong Wah, came into the picture when he outpaced Hau for the ball, but he centred the ball to find no forward within distance. It was clear that any danger that might come from Kwong Wah would come from this wing.

Twenty five minutes passed before South China went ahead again. They forced a corner over on the left and Ho Ying-fun placed the ball near to his partner, Lai Shui-wing. The latter got his head to it and put it well out of Tam's reach. There was no further scoring before half time.

With the resumption, S. China were on the move and within five minutes had gone further ahead.

Ho Ying-fun got the fourth when he was given an accurate pass and scored with a right footed shot. In the closing stages of the game Tam Woon-chung came in for a regular bombardment and saved well on many occasions.

SOUTH CHINA "A": Yue Yiu-tak, Hau Yung-sang, Tse Kam-hong, Cheung Kam-hoi, Soong Ling-sing, Lau Cheung-sang, Tse Kam-ho, Chu Wing-keung, Chan Kim-pick, Lai Shiu-wing and Ho Ying-fun.

KWONG WAH: Tam Woon-chung, Leung Kwok-fu, Ling Pak-wai, Wong Tse-wan, Tang Yee-chai, Ng Kow-kwong, Lee Ping-kee, Lo Tak-took, Leung Fook-cheung, Ng Pi-yau and Kwok Man-tim.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

FIRST DIVISION

Army	6	Eastern	2
Police	1	Kit Chee	1
Royal Navy	2	Club	2
S. China "A"	4	Kwong Wah	0

SECOND DIVISION

Chinese A.A.	4	Dockyard	2
Royal Navy	4	St. Joseph's	1
Kit Chee	3	Club	0
PCA	6	W.D. Chinese	1
Tramways	3	Solicitor's	1

The University-Police match was postponed.

Home Football Results

London, November 27.

The following were the results of football matches played today:

FA Cup—First Round

Barnet		Exeter C.	
	(Postponed)		
Bradford C.		Doncaster	
	(Postponed)		
Colchester	1	Reading	1
	(Abandoned before half time)		
Halifax		Scunthorpe	
	(Postponed)		
Ipswich	1	Aldershot	0
	(Abandoned when score 1-0)		
Southend		Swansea	
	(Postponed)		
Crewe	5	Billingham	0
Hull	3	Accrington	1
Mansfield	4	Gloucester	0
Millwall	1	Tooting	0
Newport	3	Brighton	1
Notts Co.	2	Port Vale	1
Walsall	2	Bristol R.	1
Wrexham	0	Oldham	3
York	2	Runcorn	1
Palace	0	Bristol C.	1
	(Extra time played)		
Gainsborough	1	Witton	0
Gateshead	3	Netherfield	0
Hartlepools	1	Chester	3
Leystonstone	1	Watford	1
	(Abandoned when score 1-1)		
New Brighton	1	Carlisle	0
Northampton	2	Dulwich	1
Norwich	1	Wellington	0
Peterbrough	0	Torquay	1
Rochdale	1	Barrow	1
	(Extra time played)		
Tranmere	1	Darlington	3
Walthamstow	3	Cambridge	2
Yeovil	4	Romford	0
Dartford	2	Orient	3
Southport	2	Horden	1
Weymouth	2	Chelmsford	1
Workingstone	0	Stockport	3
Kidderminster	0	Hereford	3

First Division

Birmingham	1	Sheffield U	2
Burnley	3	Bolton	0
Charlton	0	Blackpool	0
Chelsea	2	Villa	1
Everton	1	Sunderland	0
Manchester C	2	Derby C	1
Middlesbro	1	Manchester U	4
Newcastle Un	2	Huddersfield	4
Portsmouth	4	Arsenal	1
Preston N E	1	Wolves	1
Stoke	3	Liverpool	0

Second Division

Brentford		Fulham	
	(Postponed)		
Bury	4	Barnsley	2
Chesterf'ld	2	Bradford	3
Coventry City	0	Cardiff	1
Leeds		Blackburn R	
	(Postponed)		
Leicester	1	Plymouth	1
Lincoln	4	Luton Town	4
Sheffield W	2	Queen's P R	0
Spurs		Notts F	
	(abandoned when score 0-0)		
West Brom	2	Southampton	0
West Ham		Grimsby	
	(abandoned when score 1-2)		

Scottish League "A"

Albion Rov.		Aberdeen	
	(postponed)		
Celtic	4	Falkirk	4
Dundee	1	St. Mirren	0
East Fife	1	Glasgow R.	2
Hiberian	1	Third Lanark	0
Morton	0	Hearts	2
Partick Thistle	1	Motherwell	1
Queen O'south	4	Clyde	1

Scottish League "B"

Dunfermline	2	Raith Rovers	0
Hamilton Ac.	2	Dundee U.	4
Queen's Park	3	Arbroath	1
Stirling Al.	1	Airdrieonians	0
East Stirling	2	Cowdenbeath	0
Kilmarnock	4	Dumbarton	2
Stenhousemuir	7	Ayr. United	1
St. Johnstone	5	Alloa Athl.	0

—Reuter.

Telegraph Cables Laying

It is announced by the Marine Department for general information that a submarine telegraph cable laying junk will be operating on December 7 and December 8, 1948 in the Central Harbour Cable Ground situated between the South end of Kowloon Peninsular and City of Victoria.

Also that a submarine telegraph cable laying junk will be operating on December 9 and December 10 in the Aberdeen Cable Ground situated between Aberdeen and Aplichau Island.

The prescribed signals for a cable laying vessel will be exhibited.

Results Of Darts Matches

Results of matches played Friday, November 19:—

Senior Mess RNH 5, WO's & Sgts RASC 1.

Hong Kong Chinese TU 2, AC Mess Boundary St 4.

CPO's Tamar 3, WO's & Sgts 25th RA 3.

WO's & Sgts RAF 2, 367 Unit 4.

Dockyard Chargeman's Mess 4, AC Mess Hankow Road 2.

PO's Mess Tamar 4, Garrison WO's & Sgts 2.

WO's & Sgts Shamshuipo 2, AC Mess Austin Road 4.

Again there were some very keen games and looking at the positions in the league "there's nothing in it".

I hear that WO's & Sgts 25th RA had a very nice game with CPO's Tamar even a spot of swimming was thrown in. For reference will future visiting teams inform the secretary of CPO's Mess, Tamar and he will make provision for "Hands to Bathe" if it is so wished.

Sorry I put WO's & Sgts Shamshuipo as losing to Admiralty Civilian Mess Hankow Road, the error has been rectified.

Sgt Flanagan RAF Kai Tak had the highest score for this week 144 closely followed by Sgt Harwood RM, PO's Mess Tamar 140 and Mr. Catrall Dockyard Chargeman's Mess 140.

Don't forget any interesting events that happen during these games. I shall not mention any names and it will be anybody's guess as to who it is.

SAN MIGUEL BREWERY DARTS LEAGUE

Matches played on November 19

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Admiralty Civ. Mess Austin Road	2	2	0	0	12	6	6
Senior Mess RNH	2	2	1	0	14	4	5
Dockyard Charge. M	2	2	1	0	13	5	5
WO's & Sgts 25th RA	2	1	2	0	12	6	4
do. Shamshuipo	2	2	0	1	10	8	4
do. RASC	2	2	0	1	9	9	4
PO's Mess HMS Tamar	2	2	0	1	9	9	4
CPO's Mess do.	2	1	1	1	9	9	3
367 Unit RAF Kai Tak	2	1	0	2	6	12	2
Admiralty Civ. Mess Boundary Street	2	1	0	2	6	12	2
HK Chinese Train. U	2	0	1	1	9	9	1
Admiralty Civ. Mess Hankow Road	2	0	1	2	9	9	1
Garrison WO's & Sgts	2	0	1	2	4	8	1
WO's & Sgts RAF Kai Tak	2	0	0	2	5	13	0

GRAZIANO SUSPENDED

Paterson, N.J., November 26.

Abe J. Greene, Commissioner of the National Boxing Association, today announced that Rocky Graziano was suspended in all NBA states for his withdrawal from the fight at Oakland, California, next Wednesday night.

The NBA includes all boxing states, except New York and Massachusetts. It also has working agreements with most of the foreign boxing countries.

Greene said the suspension was made automatically at the request of the California State Athletic Commission. Greene said he received the telegraphed request today.—United Press.

Two Interesting Rugby Games At Happy Valley

On the Club ground at Happy Valley yesterday, two very interesting rugby matches were played, one between the Services and the other between "Under 28's" and "Over 28's".

In the first game, an unexpectedly good game was seen and although the finer points of the game were not seen, the players showed plenty of keenness and enthusiasm.

The result was a draw of three points each.

The game between the two Club teams proved to be a very close affair, with the "Under 28's" defeating the "Over 28's" by 10 points to six.

The Services

The Services rugby game on the Club Ground produced some astonishingly good football and Navy selectors who were present must have found comfort in the performances of not a few of their representatives, who should help fill the gap in that team in the first round of the Quadrangular Tournament next Saturday, when they meet Army.

It was delightful to watch the keenness displayed by both teams, reminding one of a good Scottish border game.

Perhaps the finer points of the game were not seen, but it was heartening to see 30 players all intent on getting the ball over their opponents goal line—an exhilirating change from some of the games seen this year.

Both sides showed patches of bad defensive play, but the final score of three points each was a fair criterion of the game which was very ably handled by Commander Dalzish.

'Under 28's'—'Over 28's'

In a very close game, "Under 28's" defeated "Over 28's" by 10 points to 6—ironically enough, the opening try being scored by Franklin, an "Over 28" included in the "Under 28's" side.

Play started off at a brisk pace, with the "Over 28's" kicking into the wind, setting the pace, and their forwards and backs combining superbly.

After continual pressure and several fine handling movements by their backs, Douglas Henderson broke through and handed to Small, who in turn handed to Cessford who, after drawing the wing man, passed to Morgan. The latter made no mistake, going hard for the line to open the scoring.

Hudson failed with the kick. From the kick-off "Over 28's" returned to the attack, but were continuously driven back by clever defensive kicking by Locklan.

"Under 28's" were gaining the ball in about 50 per cent of the tight scrums; however, their halves were not combining and Bluck's handling was not at all confident.

The few attacks they did put in were quickly checked by the "Over 28's" mainly by the centres, especially Chevreau being tackled with the ball.

Club forwards took the ball up the touch-line when Baker, after a clever corkscrew run, went over to put "Over 28's" 6 points ahead, the kick again failing.

From the kick off after the change round, "Under 28's" began to attack and a number of the "Over's" forwards began to show the strain of what had been an exciting and fast first half.

Henderson at scrum-half was having a rough time from the unchecked offside of at least three of the "Under" forwards, which unfortunately was allowed to continue until the final whistle.

After a number of grand forward rushes by the "Under 28's" the ball was whipped out to Bluck who, after palpably knocking on twice, handed to Franklin, who opened the "Under 28's" scoring after a brilliant run, beating three opponents en route Farquharson brought out full points.

Play deteriorated and the veteran backs were rarely given a chance owing to the close attention paid to John Henderson.

Bluck now brought his backs, into the game, but Chevreau threw many chances away by his indecision and weak kicking to touch; however, the greatest fault of the younger men was their inability to get moving, taking and giving their passes while standing still.

Their forwards still going well, they took the ball up the field for Fitzroy-Williams to go over for a grand try, which Farquharson converted.

Although the veterans continued to press the younger men held them and the final whistle went with the score still at 10-6.

It was a very good, hard fought game, in which the younger men who excelled, mainly forwards, were Fitzroy-Williams, Farquharson Wyatt, Miffan and Locklan, who played a grand game at scrum half.

Results Of Tennis Encounters

The following are the results of yesterday's tennis games at the Ladies Recreation Club:—

Inter-Hong Doubles

Mr. A.L. Smaith and Mr. E.L.H. Glennie (Hong Kong Bank) beat Mr. A.V. Lind and Mr. J.L. Wright (New Zealand Insurance) 6-3, 6-4.

Mr. M. Heenan and Mr. G. Strickland (Legal Department) beat Dr. Smart and Dr. Gray (Medical Department) 6-2, 6-2.

Handicap Ladies' Singles

Mrs. Bradley beat Mrs. Dunnett 6-4, 6-1.

Club Mixed Doubles

Mr. K. Standaloft and Mrs. Litton beat Mr. P. Bonnerman and Mrs. Getz 8-6, 6-1.

TODAY'S GAMES

Club Mixed Doubles (9.30 a.m.)

Mr. C.W.L. Way and Mrs. Marshall v Mr. J.B. Hawthorn and Mrs. Standaloft.

Handicap Men's Singles (9.30 a.m.)

Dr. Smart v Mr. K.B. Baker.

Club Ladies' Singles (10 a.m.)

Mrs. Litton v Mrs. Getz.

Handicap Mixed Doubles (10.30 a.m.)

Mr. J.B. Hawthorn and Mrs. Standaloft v Mr. C.W.L. Way and Mrs. Stroobach.

Handicap Men's Doubles (10.30 a.m.)

Mr. P. Bonnerman and Mr. S. Saul v Dr. Ramler and Mr. A.R. Pollak.

Handicap Ladies' Doubles (3 p.m.)

Miss Millard and Miss Murdoch v Mrs. Bradley and Miss Lambert Baker.

ARMY SOCCER LEAGUE

A full week's programme was completed on Wednesday, November 24 and while Gunners 'B' still remain top of the league, Gunners 'A' move into second place displacing Minor Units who were without a match.

BMH were swamped by the strong Gunners 'A' team while RASC 'A' gained a well merited victory over Gurkhas 'A'. Bde HQ registered their first win of the season by beating RASC 'B' and leave their unenviable position at the bottom of the table.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Gunners 'B'	10	8	0	2	31	16	16
Gunners 'A'	8	7	1	0	40	4	15
Minor Units	10	7	0	3	28	13	14
Buffs 'A'	8	6	0	2	33	6	12
Signals	9	6	0	3	28	10	12
Buffs 'B'	6	5	1	0	29	11	11
RASC 'A'	8	4	0	4	21	18	8
BMH	9	3	1	5	15	28	7
Gurkhas 'A'	9	2	2	5	11	14	6
RASC 'B'	8	1	1	6	11	25	3
Bde HK	9	1	1	7	12	33	3
Sappers	8	1	1	6	6	37	3
Gurkhas 'B'	9	1	0	8	10	44	2

Compton's Century

Durban, November 26.

Another century by Denis Compton (100), his third in succession, and a painstaking knock of 61 by Len Hutton, were the outstanding features of the MCC's first innings of 310 for 5 today against Natal, South African inter-province champions.

Settling down after an uncertain start, during which his timing was faulty, Compton ran into his best form and scored his runs out of 157 in two hours 45 minutes.

He hit nine fours.

The MCC, after losing Washbrook at 16, did well to recover against the strongest attack they have met on the tour.

C. McCarthy, 19-year-old fast bowler, considered the fastest in South Africa, took three of the five wickets.—Reuter.

More Sports News Will Be Found On Pages 22 And 23.

Lahore, November 26.

The West Indies started the last match of their tour of Pakistan here today in a four-day fixture against a Pakistan XI.

When stumps were drawn at the end of the first day, Pakistan had scored 197 runs for the loss of two wickets.—Reuter.

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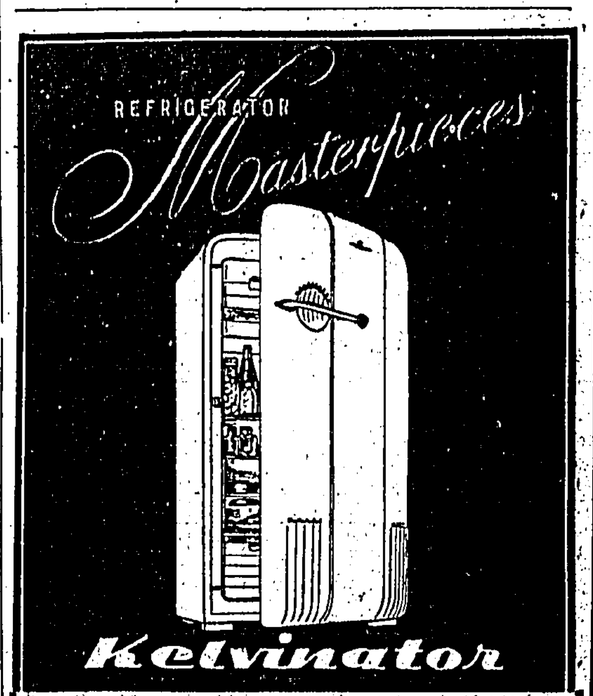

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